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WHY ARE YOU
COMPELLING ME TO
STRIKE YOU WITH THIS
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IT IS TO SYMBOLIZE OUR **BROKEN**
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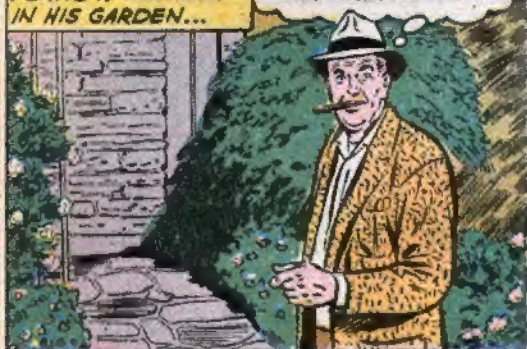
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IT IS EVENING IN THE OUTSKIRTS OF METROPOLIS, AND HARD-WORKING, PERRY WHITE, TOUGH EDITOR OF THE DAILY PLANET, RELAXES IN HIS GARDEN...

####... WHITE ROSES DOING WELL... PETUNIAS BLOOMING AS USUAL... AZALEAS LOOKING A LITTLE SCRUBBY AND... GREAT HEAVENS! WH-WHAT'S THAT?



IT... IT WASN'T HERE YESTERDAY! WHERE DID IT COME FROM? WHAT KIND OF TREE IS IT? HMM... THE ODOR OF THAT FRUIT... DELICIOUS! I MUST TAKE A BITE!



NOT LIKE A PEACH... OR AN APPLE... NOT LIKE ANY FRUIT I'VE EVER TASTED, AS A MATTER OF FACT... BUT... WONDERFUL! MMMM...

KRUNCHHH!

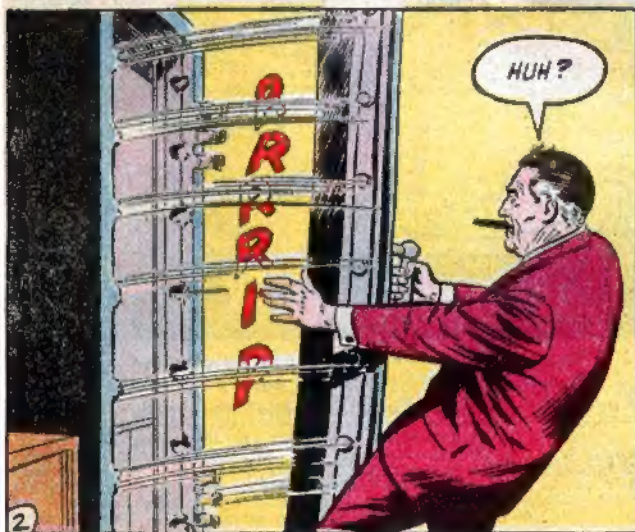


NEXT MORNING, AS PERRY RETURNS TO HIS OFFICE AND STRUGGLES WITH A STUBBORN SAFE...



DRAT! THIS DOOR IS STUCK AGAIN! I'M SURE I DIALED THE RIGHT COMBINATION! I'M SO MAD I COULD...

HUH?



TH-THE METAL MUST HAVE GULP! RUSTED THROUGH! I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO ORDER A NEW SAFE!



A LITTLE LATER, AS PERRY RECEIVES A CALL FROM ONE OF HIS REPORTERS...



GRIMLY, PERRY STRIDES TO A HUGE TROPHY CABINET, AND...



HMM... THAT STRANGE FRUIT I ATE... FROM THAT WEIRD PLANT... THAT MUST BE IT! I'D BETTER KEEP THIS A SECRET! I'LL LET PEOPLE THINK THE DESK AND SAFE WERE WRECKED IN A BURGLARY ATTEMPT LAST NIGHT, AND ORDER NEW ONES RIGHT NOW!

MOMENTS LATER, WHEN PERRY STEPS OUT OF HIS OFFICE, LOIS LANE HAILS HIM...

KRYPTONITE... THE ONE SUBSTANCE THAT CAN HARM SUPERMAN... WHAT WILL IT DO TO ME NOW?

COME ON, PERRY! I WANT YOU TO WATCH WHILE WE PHOTOGRAPH THE KRYPTONITE EXHIBIT I SET UP!

BUT PERRY NEED NOT WORRY ON THAT SCORE, FOR...

THERE'S A REPLICA OF GREEN KRYPTONITE, THE KIND THAT'S FATAL TO SUPERMAN... AND RED... WHICH ALWAYS HAS AN UNPREDICTABLE EFFECT ON HIM... AND BLUE WHICH IS HARMFUL TO BIZARRO CREATURES ONLY... AND WHITE... WHICH, AFTER IT PASSED THROUGH A SPACE CLOUD, IS HARMLESS TO SUPERMAN BUT DESTROYS ALL PLANT LIFE!

OF COURSE! THOSE FRAGMENTS ARE ONLY IMITATION KRYPTONITE!

PHOTOGRAPHED IN COLOR, IT WILL MAKE A WONDERFUL ILLUSTRATION FOR THE ARTICLE I'M WRITING ON KRYPTONITE FOR OUR SUNDAY COLOR SECTION!

I WONDER! AM I VULNERABLE TO KRYPTONITE, AS SUPERMAN IS? I MUST FIND OUT... NOW!

SOMEWHAT LATER, AFTER MAKING A NUMBER OF PURCHASES...

THIS ASBESTOS SUIT WILL PERMIT ME TO FLY THROUGH THE ATMOSPHERE AT HIGH SPEEDS WITHOUT CATCHING FIRE! THE LEAD-LINED MASK WILL CONCEAL MY IDENTITY EVEN FROM SUPERMAN'S X-RAY VISION, AND THE INSIGNIA STANDS FOR MASTERMAN! I'M ALL SET!

SO IT IS THAT PRESENTLY, A WEIRD FIGURE PROPELS ITSELF UPWARD INTO SPACE!

NOW TO TRAVEL THROUGH OUTER SPACE AT SUPER-SPEED TILL I COME UPON A KRYPTONITE METEOR!

WHOOOSH!

SOON...

A WHOLE SWARM OF THEM PASSING ME... AND THEY DON'T BOTHER ME AT ALL! THAT MEANS... I... I'M EVEN MORE SUPER THAN SUPERMAN! KRYPTONITE RADIATIONS CAN HARM SUPER-MAN... BUT NOT ME!

I'LL TAKE THIS ONE BACK WITH ME! MAYBE I CAN EXPERIMENT WITH IT AND FIND OUT HOW TO MAKE SUPERMAN IMMUNE TO IT, TOO!

RETURNING TO EARTH, PERRY HIDES THE KRYPTONITE, AND...

I'LL USE MY POWERS FOR GOOD, AS SUPERMAN DOES! I'LL CRUISE SLOWLY BACK TO THE OFFICE AND... WH-WHAT? THERE'S SOMETHING THAT NEEDS MY SUPER-ATTENTION RIGHT NOW-A TRUCK WITH LOOSE BRAKES!

L-LOOK! WHO-WHO'S THAT?

VAN LINES

THAT FIGURE WITH THE 'M'... HE... HE HAS SUPER POWERS!

THIS SURE FEELS GOOD! I'M GOING TO ENJOY MY NEW CAREER!

DON'T BE AFRAID! MASTERMAN WILL HELP YOU!

MASTERMAN? WH-WHO'S HE?

BY THE TIME PERRY HAS RETURNED TO THE PLANET AND HIDDEN HIS COSTUME, NEWS OF MASTERMAN IS ON EVERYONE'S LIPS, AND...

WHO CAN THE MYSTERIOUS MASTERMAN BE?

I WANT YOU TO GET ME A STORY ON JUST THAT, CLARK! AND... IF YOU DISCOVER HIS IDENTITY, YOU GET A WEEK'S VACATION!

HA, HA... IF THEY ONLY KNEW! THAT'S ONE SCOOP CLARK WILL NEVER GET!

SPEAKING OF VACATIONS, CHIEF, I'D LIKE THE AFTERNOON OFF! MY AUNT EMMA IS IN TOWN AND SHE HAS A BAD COLD AND...

HMMM...X-RAY VISION SURE COMES IN HANDY! MINE SHOWS ME A PASS TO TODAY'S BASEBALL GAME IN JIMMY'S POCKET! I'LL TEACH HIM A LESSON!

OF COURSE! TAKE THE REST OF THE DAY OFF! IT'S TOO BAD, THOUGH! I WAS GOING TO HAVE YOU COVER THE BIG GAME! GUESS I'LL HAVE TO DO THAT MYSELF!

DRAT! WHAT A CHUMP I AM! NOW I CAN'T GO, OR PERRY WILL SEE ME! WHY DID I HAVE TO OPEN MY BIG MOUTH?



A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

FLASH! A LION JUST ESCAPED NEAR METROPOLIS AMUSEMENT PARK! PEOPLE ARE IN PANIC!

THIS IS A JOB FOR MASTERMAN!

A JOB FOR SUPERMAN!



EXCUSE ME, FOLKS! BAD HEADACHE!

I HAVE TO GO NOW! TIME TO...ER...TAKE A LIVER PILL!



SHORTLY, BEFORE SECRETLY CHANGING TO HIS SUPER-ROLE IN THE DAILY PLANET STOREROOM, CLARK PEERS IN WITH HIS X-RAY VISION, AND...

GREAT SCOTT! PERRY IS MASTERMAN! HOW DID HE GET SUPER POWERS? WHEW, IT SURE IS FUNNY... THE TWO OF US USING THIS ROOM FOR A SECRET CHANGE TO A SUPER-ROLE! HMMM... I'LL LET HIM GET OUT BEFORE I GO IN! FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED!

STOREROOM



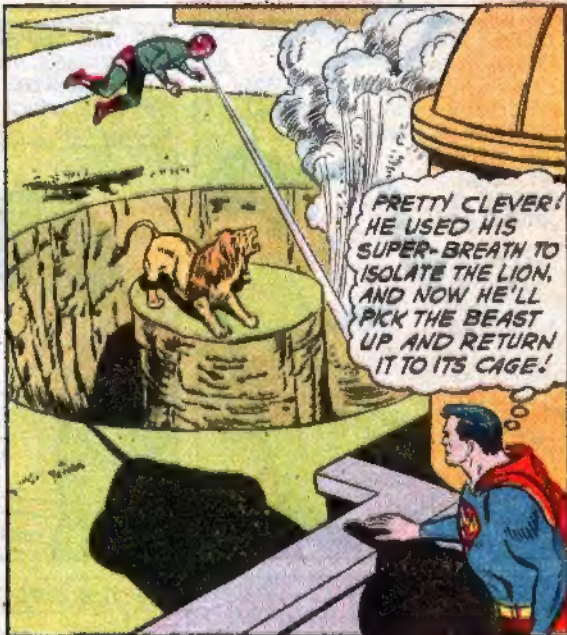
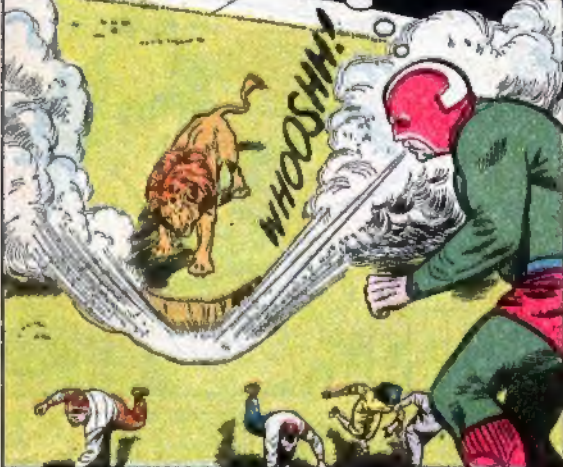
PRESENTLY, WHEN CLARK, TOO, HAS CHANGED...

I'LL STAY OUT OF HIS SIGHT AND OBSERVE HIM WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION! MAYBE I'LL FIND OUT THE SECRET OF HIS POWERS THAT WAY!



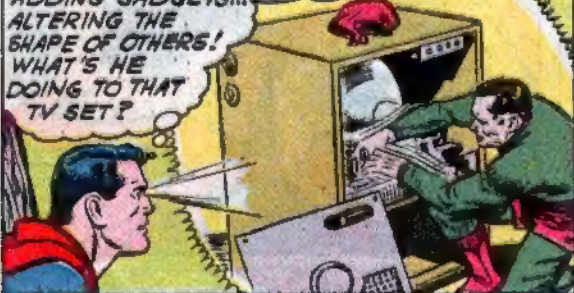
LATER... AT THE AMUSEMENT CENTER...

MUST STOP THAT LION FROM REACHING PEOPLE! THIS SHOULD DO IT!



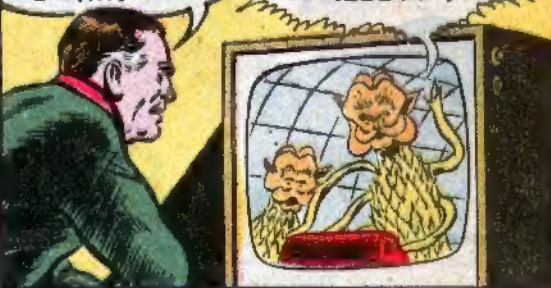
REMAINING HIDDEN, SUPERMAN KEEPS CLOSE WATCH WITH HIS TELESCOPIC VISION, AND PRESENTLY, AT PERRY'S HOME...

HIS HANDS...MOVING AT SUPER-SPEED...CHANGING WIRES...ADDING GADGETS...ALTERING THE SHAPE OF OTHERS! WHAT'S HE DOING TO THAT TV SET?



FOR A MOMENT, WEIRD LIGHTS GLOW, AND THEN, AN INCREDIBLE SIGHT APPEARS!

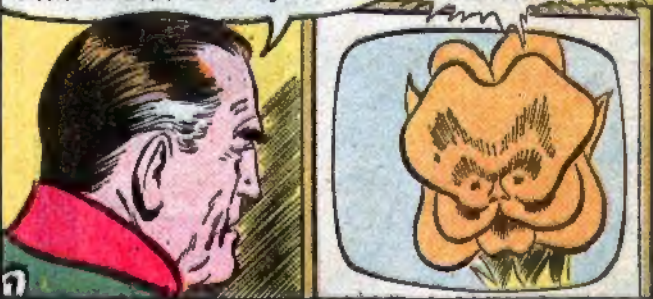
I HAVE YOU, XASNU, THIS IS Y'TROM OF PLANET ZELM! HAS YOUR MISSION SUCCEEDED?
THIS IS XASNU, CALLING Y'TROM FROM THE PLANET EARTH!



I LANDED AS A SPORE, GREW INTO A MATURE PLANT, AND DEVELOPED FRUITS WHICH AN EARTHLING ATE! AS THE SUBSTANCE SPREAD THROUGH HIS BLOODSTREAM, HE FIRST ACQUIRED SUPER POWERS... AND THEN... I FINALLY ACQUIRED COMPLETE CONTROL OF HIS BODY AND MIND!



EARTH IS A FINE PLACE FOR US, Y'TROM! ITS SUN IS WARM, ITS SOIL FERTILE... NOT LIKE OUR DYING PLANET! THERE IS ONLY ONE DIFFICULTY, AN EARTHLING CALLED SUPERMAN WITH SUPER POWERS!



FIND OUT ALL YOU CAN ABOUT HIM, AND DESTROY HIM! THEN, OUR PEOPLE WILL MOVE TO EARTH AS SPORES... AS YOU DID!

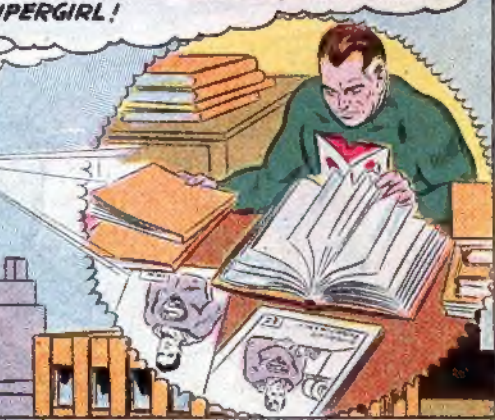
GREAT SCOTT! PERRY HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY A PLANT INTELLIGENCE FROM ANOTHER WORLD! I MUST STOP HIM SOMEHOW!... THE SAFETY OF ALL EARTH IS AT STAKE!



GRIMLY, SUPERMAN CONTINUES HIS LONG-RANGE SPYING, AND SOON...



HE'S READING EVERYTHING ABOUT ME... AT SUPER-SPEED! HE'LL USE ALL OF HIS POWERS TO DESTROY ME! AND I MUST USE ALL MY RESOURCES TO COUNTER-ATTACK! HMMM... FIRST, I'LL CONTACT SUPERGIRL!



WHEN SUPERMAN CONVERSES WITH THE GIRL OF STEEL VIA SUPER-VENTRILOQUISM...

I WANT YOU TO KEEP US BOTH UNDER OBSERVATION! SHOULD THE ALIEN SUCCEED IN OVERCOMING ME, GET THE SUPERMAN EMERGENCY SQUAD TO COME OUT OF THE BOTTLE OF KANDOR TO HELP YOU TACKLE HIM!



I'D RATHER JOIN YOU IN FIGHTING HIM, RIGHT NOW, BUT I GUESS IT'S BETTER THAT I ONLY APPEAR IF HE DEFEATS YOU!



SHORTLY AFTERWARD...

NOW THAT I'VE ATTENDED TO THAT, THERE'S ONE PRECAUTION I MUST TAKE! IT'S KNOWN THAT IN COLONIAL DAYS, SCOUTS WHO EXPECTED TO BE TORTURED BY INDIANS, HYPNOTIZED EACH OTHER IN ADVANCE! THEIR POST-HYPNOTIC TRANCES MADE THEM IMMUNE TO PAIN FOR A WHILE! I MUST DO LIKEWISE!



YOU... WILL... NOT FEEL PAIN... OF KRYPTONITE! YOU... WILL... NOT... FEEL PAIN... OF KRYPTONITE!



THE VERY NEXT DAY, AT THE OFFICE OF THE DAILY PLANET...

NO ONE'S NEAR HERE NOW... SO I CAN TYPE AT SUPER-SPEED AND FINISH MY DAY'S ASSIGNMENTS IN MOMENTS. THAT WILL GIVE ME TIME TO STRENGTHEN MY DEFENSES AGAINST THE ALIEN PERRY!



BUT CLARK HAS MADE ONE TINY OVERSIGHT, AND...

AAAHH...MY SUPER-HEARING DETECTED TYPING AT SUPER-SPEED FROM KENT'S OFFICE! AND NOW MY X-RAY VISION REVEALS THAT HE IS SECRETLY SUPERMAN! WELL, I KNOW HOW TO STRIKE MY FIRST BLOW AGAINST HIM!



A MOMENT LATER...

I'LL DESTROY HIS MORALE BY EXPOSING HIS SECRET IDENTITY TO EVERYONE!

CLARK! LOIS! JIMMY! COME HERE AT ONCE!



PRESENTLY... LOOK AT THIS PIECE OF GENUINE KRYPTONITE SOME READER TURNED IN TO ME! WE MUST FIND A WAY TO GET RID OF IT, SO IT CAN'T HARM SUPERMAN! ANY IDEAS?

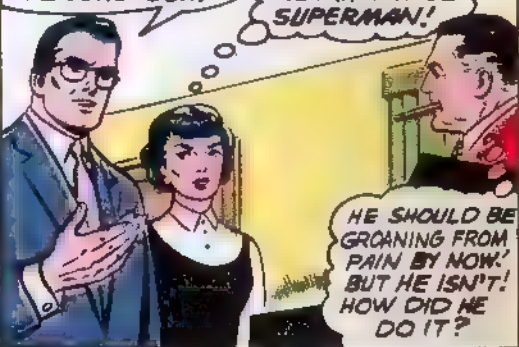
AH! HE WON'T BE ABLE TO CONCEAL THE PAIN HE FEELS!



BUT, AS THE SLOW SECONDS TICK BY...

PERRY, I SUGGEST WE CONTACT SUPERMAN AND LET HIM DISPOSE OF IT WHILE IT'S IN THE LEAD BOX!

HMMM...CLARK ISN'T AFFECTED! THIS CERTAINLY SHAKES MY THEORY THAT CLARK MAY BE SUPERMAN!



HE SHOULD BE GROANING FROM PAIN BY NOW! BUT HE ISN'T! HOW DID HE DO IT?

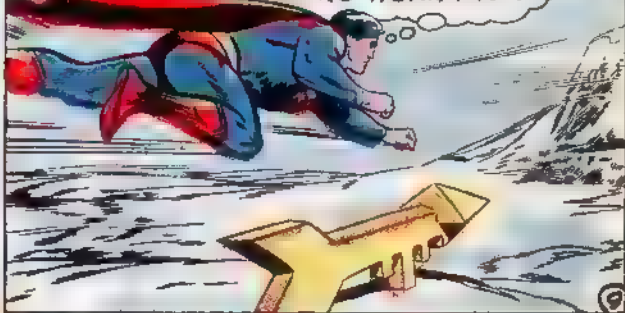
AS CLARK WALKS OUT...

LUCKY...MY POST-HYPNOTIC SUGGESTION WORKED...FOR ABOUT 30 SECONDS! I'M SO WEAK NOW...I CAN BARELY WALK...BUT I DIDN'T FEEL TERRIBLE PAIN FOR A WHILE! THE FIRST ROUND GOES TO ME!

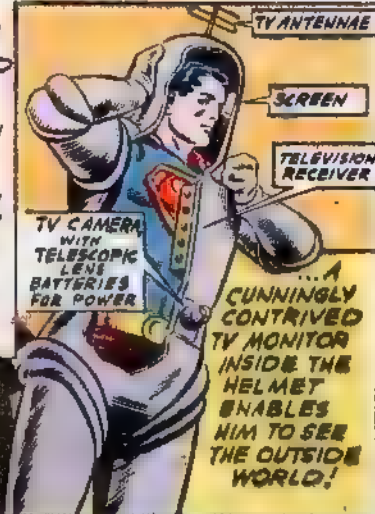


BUT, WHAT OF THE SECOND ROUND, SUPERMAN? SOME TIME LATER...

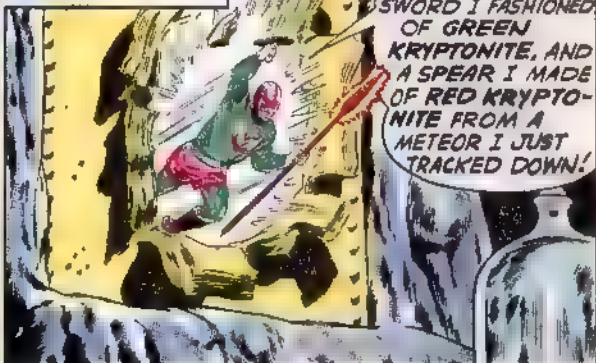
THE ALIEN PERRY IS BOUND TO FIND MY FORTRESS WITH HIS X-RAY AND TELESCOPIC VISION! THERE ARE MANY THINGS I MUST DO...HAVE TO WORK FAST!



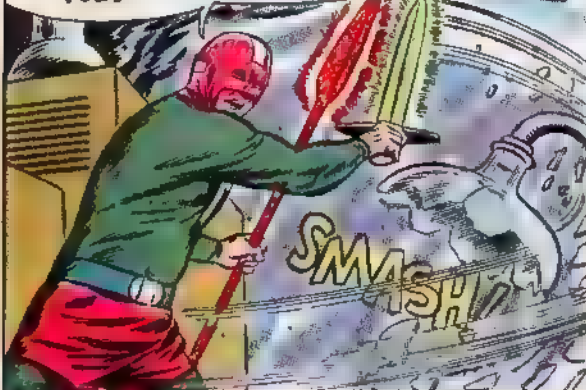
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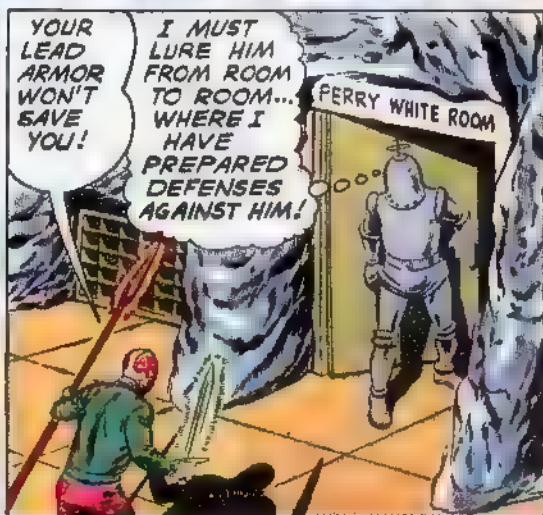


HA! HA! THERE GOES YOUR FAMED KRYPTON CITY-IN-A-BOTTLE! PEOPLE AND BUILDINGS ALL SHATTERED TO DUST! AND NOW... FOR YOU!



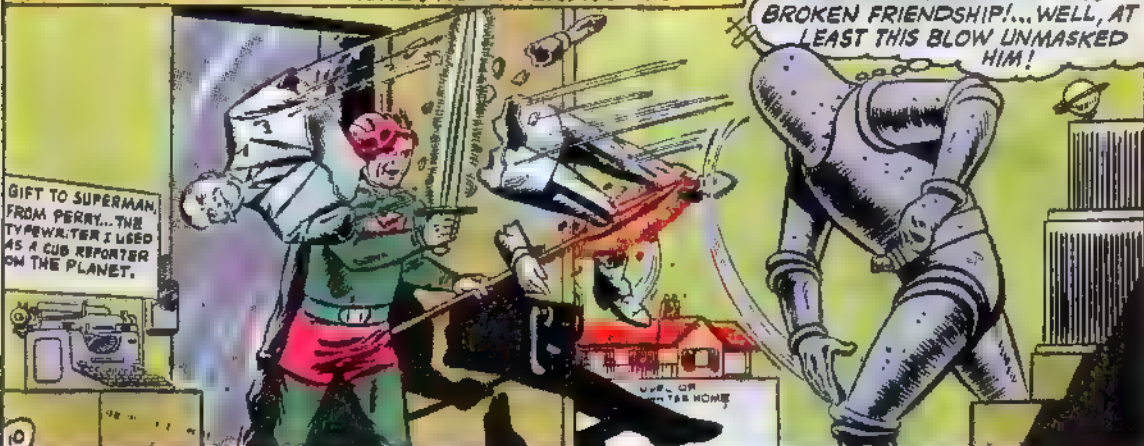
YOUR LEAD ARMOR WON'T SAVE YOU!

I MUST LURE HIM FROM ROOM TO ROOM... WHERE I HAVE PREPARED DEFENSES AGAINST HIM!



IRONICALLY, SUPERMAN'S RETREAT LEADS HIM THROUGH THE PERRY WHITE ROOM HE HAD CONSTRUCTED YEARS AGO AS A TRIBUTE TO HIS OLD FRIEND! HOWEVER, NOW...

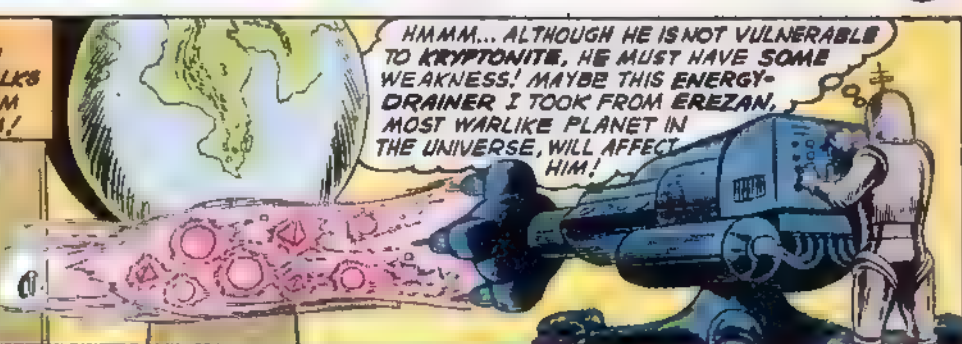
HE'S USING TELEPATHY TO SUGGEST I THROW THE STATUE AT HIM... TO SYMBOLIZE OUR BROKEN FRIENDSHIP!... WELL, AT LEAST THIS BLOW UNMASKED HIM!



BUT, ALAS...IT IS STILL THE ALIEN PERRY THAT STALKS SUPERMAN FROM ROOM TO ROOM!

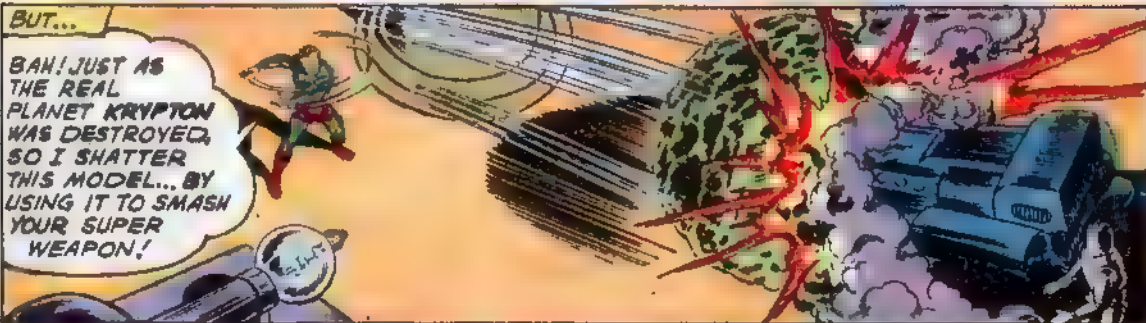


HMMM... ALTHOUGH HE IS NOT VULNERABLE TO KRYPTONITE, HE MUST HAVE SOME WEAKNESS! MAYBE THIS ENERGY-DRAINER I TOOK FROM EREZAN, MOST WARLIKE PLANET IN THE UNIVERSE, WILL AFFECT HIM!



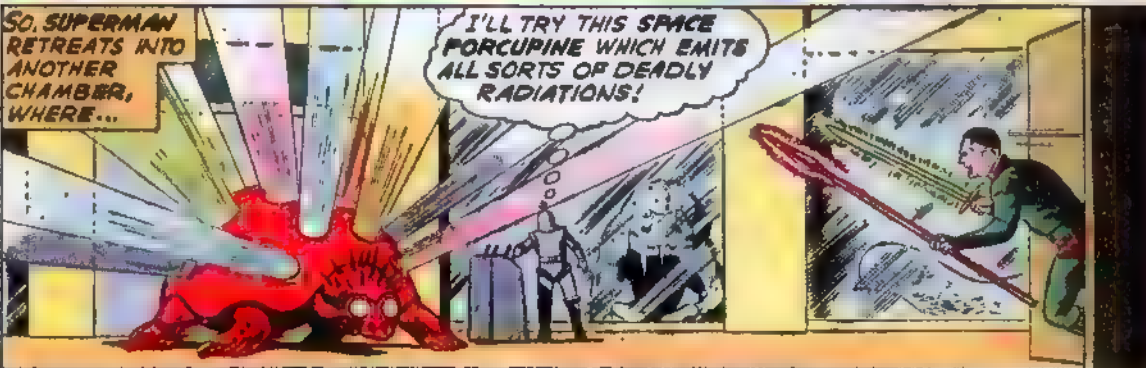
BUT...

BAH! JUST AS THE REAL PLANET KRYPTON WAS DESTROYED, SO I SHATTER THIS MODEL... BY USING IT TO SMASH YOUR SUPER WEAPON!



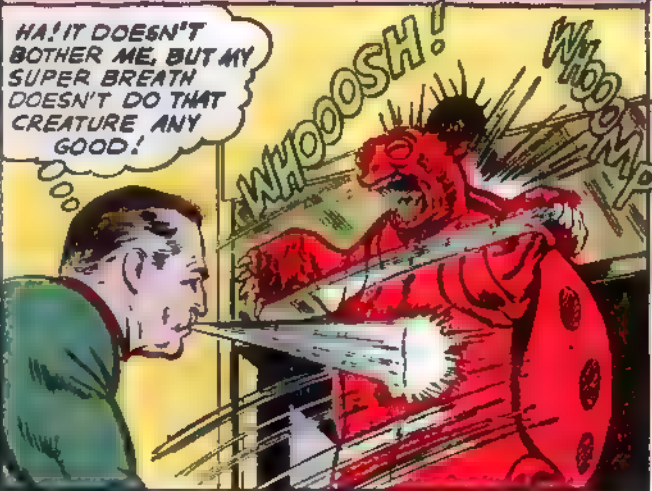
SO, SUPERMAN RETREATS INTO ANOTHER CHAMBER, WHERE...

I'LL TRY THIS SPACE PORCUPINE WHICH EMITS ALL SORTS OF DEADLY RADIATIONS!

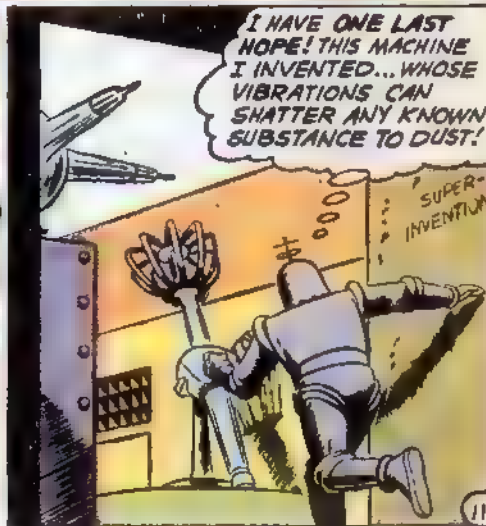


BUT ONCE MORE, THE MAN OF STEEL'S HOPES FADE AS...

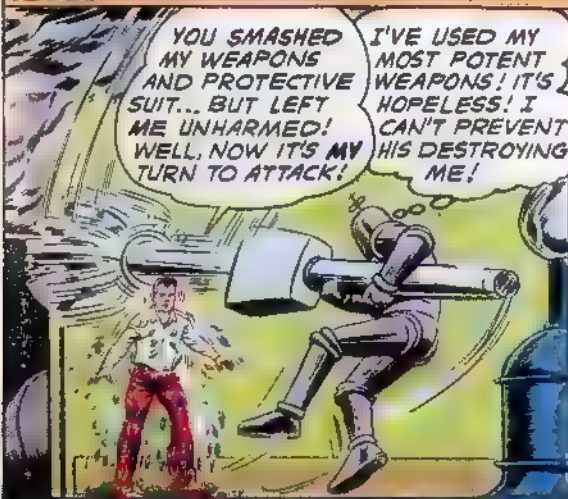
HA! IT DOESN'T BOTHER ME, BUT MY SUPER BREATH DOESN'T DO THAT CREATURE ANY GOOD!



I HAVE ONE LAST HOPE! THIS MACHINE I INVENTED...WHOSE VIBRATIONS CAN SHATTER ANY KNOWN SUBSTANCE TO DUST!



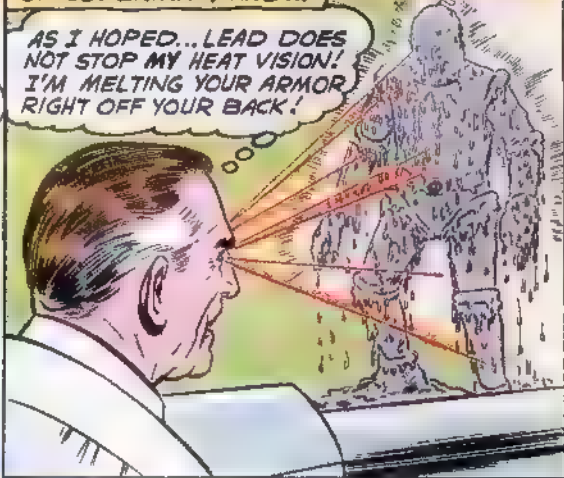
AN INCREDIBLY TERRIBLE BLOW SETS UNBELIEVABLY POWERFUL FORCE WAVES INTO MOTION, BUT...



YOU SMASHED MY WEAPONS AND PROTECTIVE SUIT... BUT LEFT ME UNHARMED! WELL, NOW IT'S MY TURN TO ATTACK!

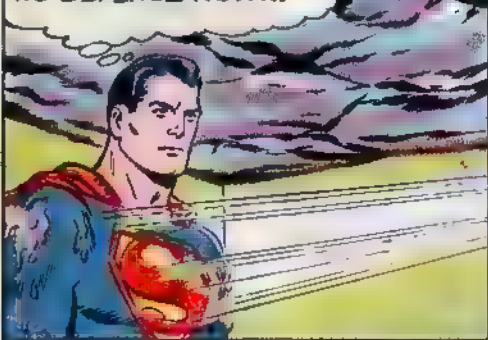
I'VE USED MY MOST POTENT WEAPONS! IT'S HOPELESS! I CAN'T PREVENT HIS DESTROYING ME!

IT CERTAINLY DOES LOOK HOPELESS, AS THE ALIEN PERRY TURNS SCORCHING HEAT VISION ON SUPERMAN, AND...



AS I HOPED... LEAD DOES NOT STOP MY HEAT VISION! I'M MELTING YOUR ARMOR RIGHT OFF YOUR BACK!

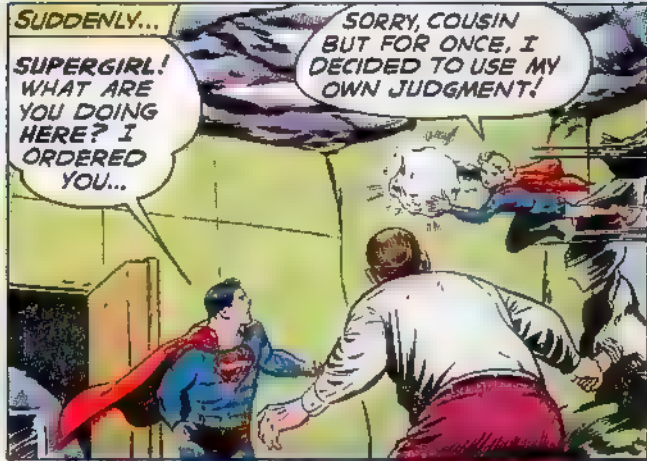
THE FIEND... HE'S WON THE FINAL ROUND. I HAVE NO DEFENSE NOW...



SUDDENLY...

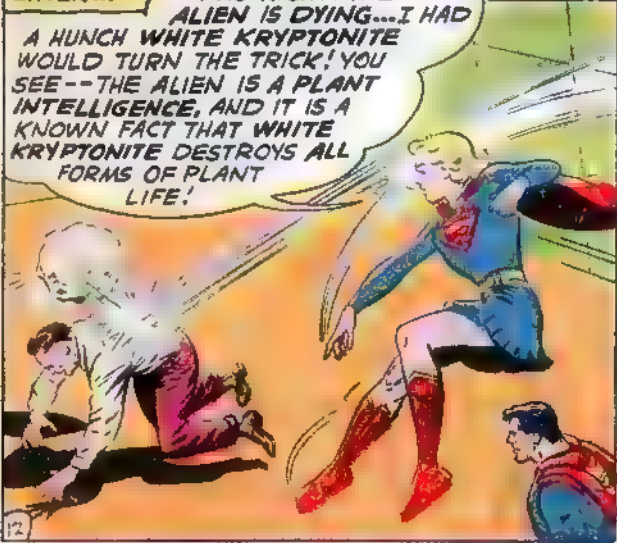
SUPERGIRL! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? I ORDERED YOU...

SORRY, COUSIN BUT FOR ONCE, I DECIDED TO USE MY OWN JUDGMENT!



A MOMENT LATER...

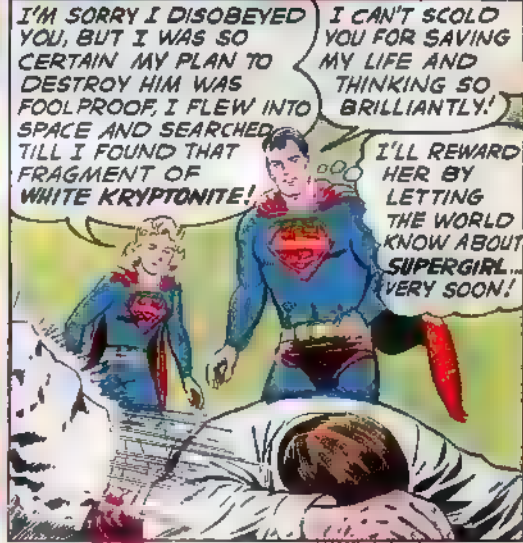
AHHH... MY THEORY WAS RIGHT! THE ALIEN IS DYING... I HAD A HUNCH WHITE KRYPTONITE WOULD TURN THE TRICK! YOU SEE-- THE ALIEN IS A PLANT INTELLIGENCE, AND IT IS A KNOWN FACT THAT WHITE KRYPTONITE DESTROYS ALL FORMS OF PLANT LIFE!

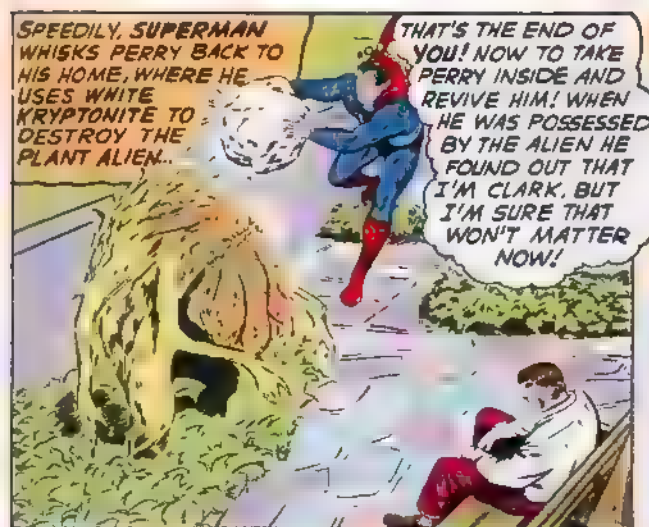


I'M SORRY I DISOBEYED YOU, BUT I WAS SO CERTAIN MY PLAN TO DESTROY HIM WAS FOOLPROOF, I FLEW INTO SPACE AND SEARCHED TILL I FOUND THAT FRAGMENT OF WHITE KRYPTONITE!

I CAN'T SCOLD YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE AND THINKING SO BRILLIANTLY!

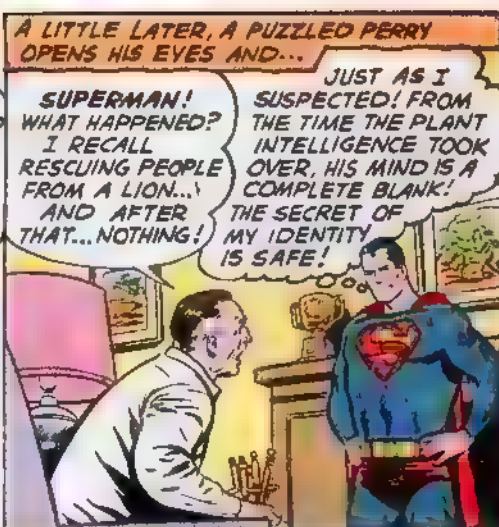
I'LL REWARD HER BY LETTING THE WORLD KNOW ABOUT SUPERGIRL... VERY SOON!





SPEEDILY, SUPERMAN WHISKS PERRY BACK TO HIS HOME, WHERE HE USES WHITE KRYPTONITE TO DESTROY THE PLANT ALIEN...

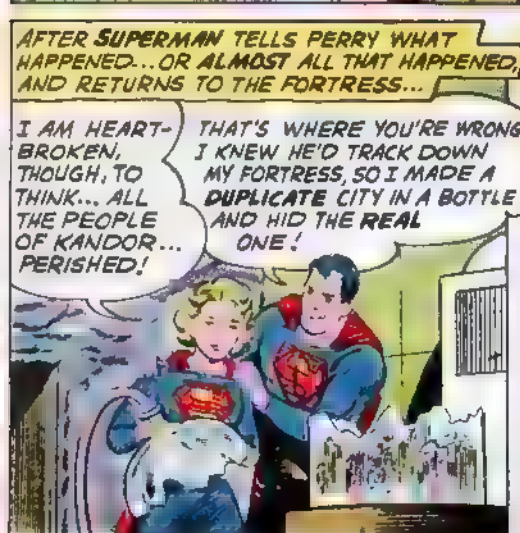
THAT'S THE END OF YOU! NOW TO TAKE PERRY INSIDE AND REVIVE HIM! WHEN HE WAS POSSESSED BY THE ALIEN HE FOUND OUT THAT I'M CLARK, BUT I'M SURE THAT WON'T MATTER NOW!



A LITTLE LATER, A PUZZLED PERRY OPENS HIS EYES AND...

SUPERMAN! WHAT HAPPENED? I RECALL RESCUING PEOPLE FROM A LION... AND AFTER THAT... NOTHING!

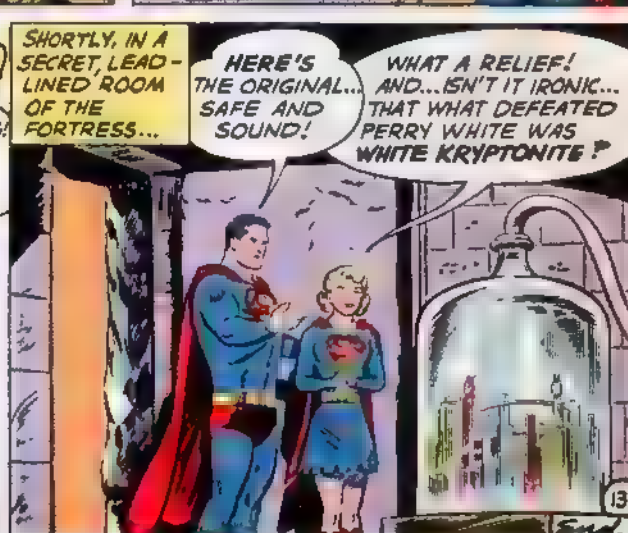
JUST AS I SUSPECTED! FROM THE TIME THE PLANT INTELLIGENCE TOOK OVER, HIS MIND IS A COMPLETE BLANK! THE SECRET OF MY IDENTITY IS SAFE!



AFTER SUPERMAN TELLS PERRY WHAT HAPPENED... OR ALMOST ALL THAT HAPPENED, AND RETURNS TO THE FORTRESS...

I AM HEART-BROKEN, THOUGH, TO THINK... ALL THE PEOPLE OF KANDOR... PERISHED!

THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE WRONG! I KNEW HE'D TRACK DOWN MY FORTRESS, SO I MADE A DUPLICATE CITY IN A BOTTLE AND HID THE REAL ONE!



SHORTLY, IN A SECRET, LEAD-LINED ROOM OF THE FORTRESS...

HERE'S THE ORIGINAL... SAFE AND SOUND!

WHAT A RELIEF! AND... ISN'T IT IRONIC... THAT WHAT DEFEATED PERRY WHITE WAS WHITE KRYPTONITE?

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Dear Editor: I am eagerly awaiting your next **GIANT SUPERMAN ANNUAL**. I especially enjoyed the detailed map of Krypton in the first Annual, and Superbaby's "space log" in the 2nd. Will the next **ANNUAL** offer more special features of this type?

Terry Burke, St. Paul, Minn.
(Sure thing! The third **GIANT SUPERMAN ANNUAL**, on sale June 22nd, will contain a never-before-published blueprint of Superman's "Fortress of Solitude". And the back cover will feature a full-color, autographed portrait of **SUPERMAN**, suitable for framing. For further details, see special announcement elsewhere in this issue.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: In your recent story, "The Reversed Super-Powers", you show a scene in which Lois Lane lifts a refrigerator and turns it red hot with her infra-red vision. Then how come her pajamas didn't burn?

Manuel Figueras, El Paso, Texas
(We guess the refrigerator's cold interior neutralized the heat. Seriously speaking, this was a booboo, and scores of readers wrote us to report it.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: Why don't you give **SUPERGIRL** an "Imaginary Series" in which **SUPERMAN** reveals her existence to the people of Earth?

Thomas Nolan, Indianapolis, Ind.
(Read the **SUPERGIRL** story in this issue, and you will agree that she has bigger problems than having her existence revealed. Incidentally, all readers who follow our popular "Imaginary" stories will be pleased to learn that the next issue of **ACTION COMICS** features an "Imaginary Story" in which Lois Lane and Lana Lang abandon **SUPERMAN** and fall in love with Hercules and Samson.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: I loved the recent story in which **SUPERMAN** visited Mr. Mxyzptlk in his own world of the fifth dimension. I enjoyed seeing the imp get punished by getting a dose of his own medicine. When do we get more stories about this zany sprite?

Richard Gorsky, Buffalo, N. Y.
(One of the funniest, cleverest, maddest Mr. Mxyzptlk yarns we have ever published appears in the July issue of **ADVENTURE COMICS**. It's a kookie tale in which a Bizarro-Mxyzptlk is created on the **BIZARRO** world. You'll love the way Mxyzptlk suddenly becomes "good" instead of

mischievous, and how the Bizarros try to get rid of him by getting him to say his name **FORWARDS**.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: I spotted a goof in the story, "Supergirl's Three Time Trips." You have **SUPERGIRL** saying: "Using red and white threads from the British flag. . ." I happen to know that the British flag is red and blue, not red and white. Other than that the story was very good.

Mike Smith, Fort Meyer, Va.
(YOU goofed! The official "Union" flag of Great Britain is red, white and blue. Consult the color plate of flags in your local library and see if you don't owe our art staff an apology.—Ed.)

Dear Editor: In the past, you've given us stories in which real personalities, such as Pat Boone, Ralph Edwards and others have adventures with **SUPERMAN** and Lois Lane. This reader would appreciate seeing more stories in this vein. How about it?

Larry Raschi, Lodi, N. J.
(Righto. You'll be pleased to know we are currently negotiating with famed comedian Jerry Lewis for permission to star him in an adventure with Mr. Mxyzptlk. Can you imagine Jerry Lewis and the imp both pestering Superman with their practical jokes?—Ed.)

Dear Editor: I think I've got you. On Page 12, of the story, "Supergirl's Three Time Trips", in the second panel you show Supergirl wearing an Indian headband. And in the next picture she wasn't. Then, in the following picture, we see the headband falling from her head. Error or not?

Gerald Bodlander, New York City, N. Y.
(Error.—Ed.)

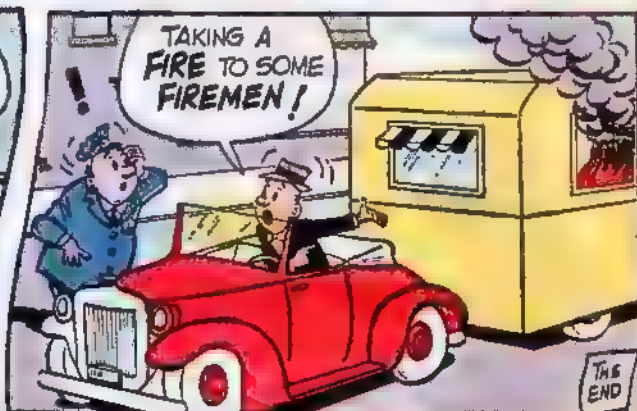
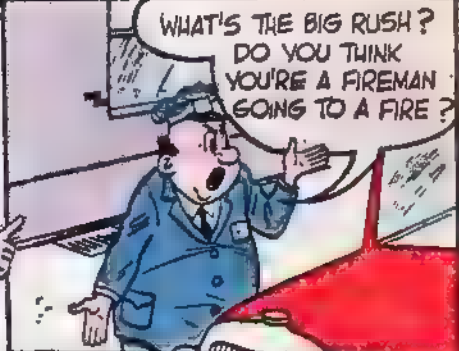
Dear Editor: I would like to congratulate you on your fine, original stories. Each one is better than the other, and I cannot count how many times I have been thrilled by their great surprise endings. I also enjoy your letter columns; they give interest and sparkle to the comics, and I look forward to the advance news on what Lois, Jimmy or Superman will do next.

Linda Bellen, Chicago, Ill.

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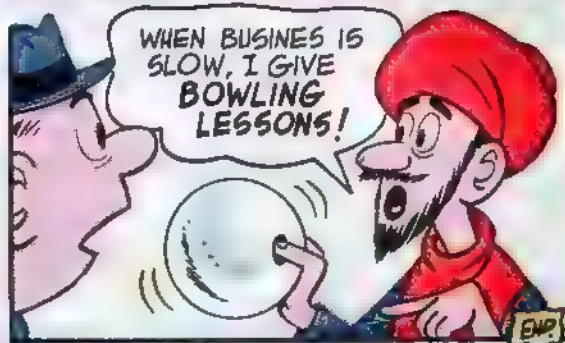
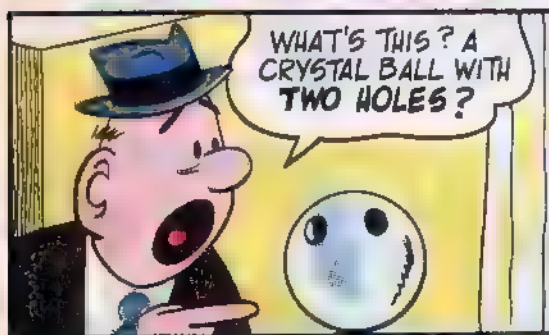
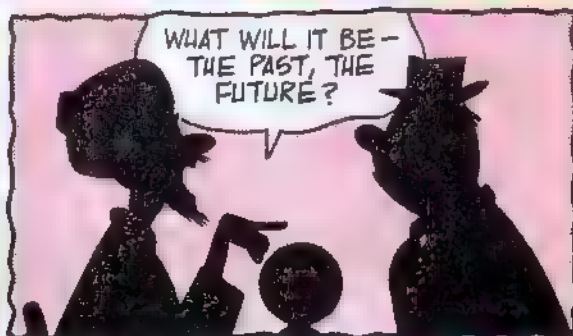
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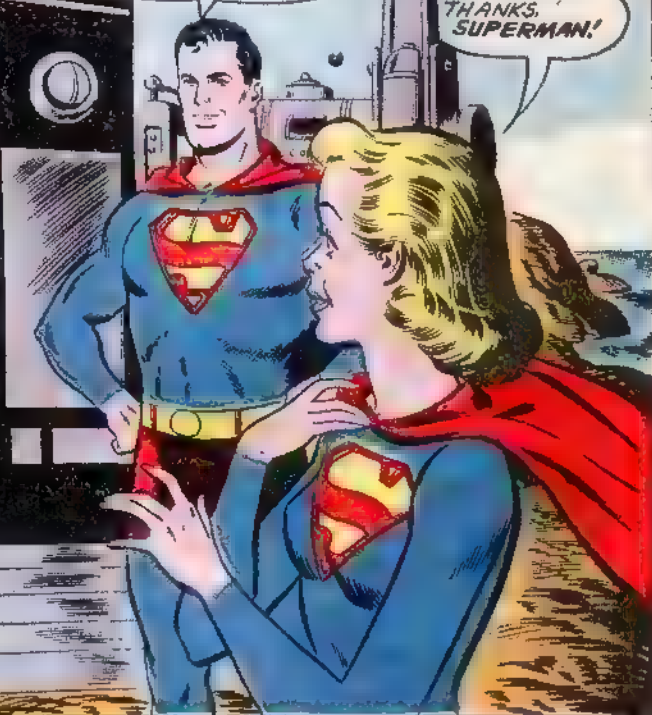
Also! **SUPERBOY MEETS "The WITCH of SMALLVILLE!"**

SUPERGIRL

PEOPLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS...
I, SUPERMAN, HAVE BEEN HELPED,
FOR YEARS, BY MY SECRET
"EMERGENCY WEAPON"...
SUPERGIRL!

THIS IS A PREVIEW OF
THE TAPED PROGRAM
I'LL SHOW ON
TELEVISION LATER
TODAY, SUPERGIRL!
IT WILL INTRODUCE
YOU TO THE WORLD!

? GASP!... OH-HH...
THIS WILL BE THE
HAPPIEST DAY OF
MY LIFE! AT LAST
MY EXISTENCE ON
EARTH WILL BE
REVEALED!
THANKS,
SUPERMAN!



UNKNOWN TO OUR WORLD, ULTRA-DYNAMIC
SUPERMAN IS OFTEN AIDED IN HIS RELENTLESS
BATTLE AGAINST CRIME AND INJUSTICE BY AN
ASTOUNDING SECRET EMERGENCY-WEAPON...
HIS LOVELY, SUPER-POWERFUL COUSIN FROM
THE EXPLODED PLANET KRYPTON...
SUPERGIRL! LIKE ALL OF US, THE GIRL OF
STEEL DESIRES RECOGNITION FOR HER
ABILITIES, AND ONE DAY, FINALLY,
SUPERMAN TELLS HER THAT THE LONG-
AWAITED REWARD IS AT HAND! HE WILL
ANNOUNCE HER EXISTENCE ON EARTH
TO THE WORLD!... GREAT, EH?... BUT
THEN FATE STEPS IN, AND THE WORLD'S
MIGHTIEST GIRL IS AMAZINGLY FORCED
TO BECOME ONCE AGAIN...

the
**UNKNOWN
SUPERGIRL!**

AT DAWN, ONE MORNING, AS LINDA (SUPERGIRL) LEE AWAKENS IN HER ROOM AT MIDVALE ORPHANAGE...

I'M SO EXCITED! TODAY'S CARNIVAL DAY AT THE ORPHANAGE!



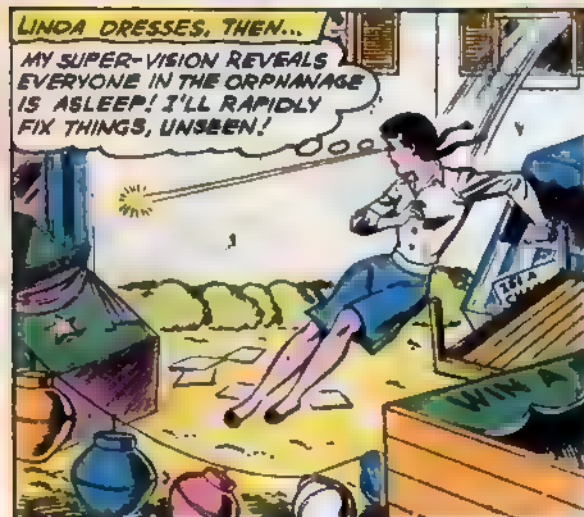
BUT AS SHE GLANCES THROUGH A WINDOW...

DURING THE NIGHT, A WINDSTORM UPSET EVERYTHING! THE DECORATIONS AND LANTERN DISPLAYS ARE... RUINED!



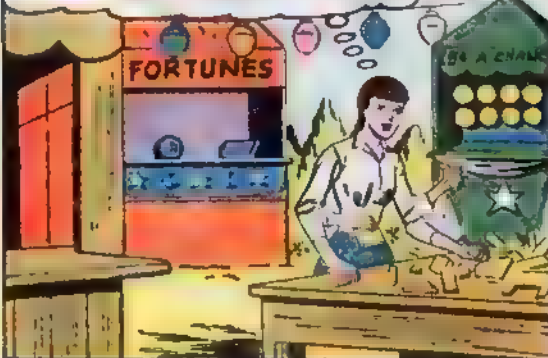
LINDA DRESSES, THEN...

MY SUPER-VISION REVEALS EVERYONE IN THE ORPHANAGE IS ASLEEP! I'LL RAPIDLY FIX THINGS, UNSEEN!



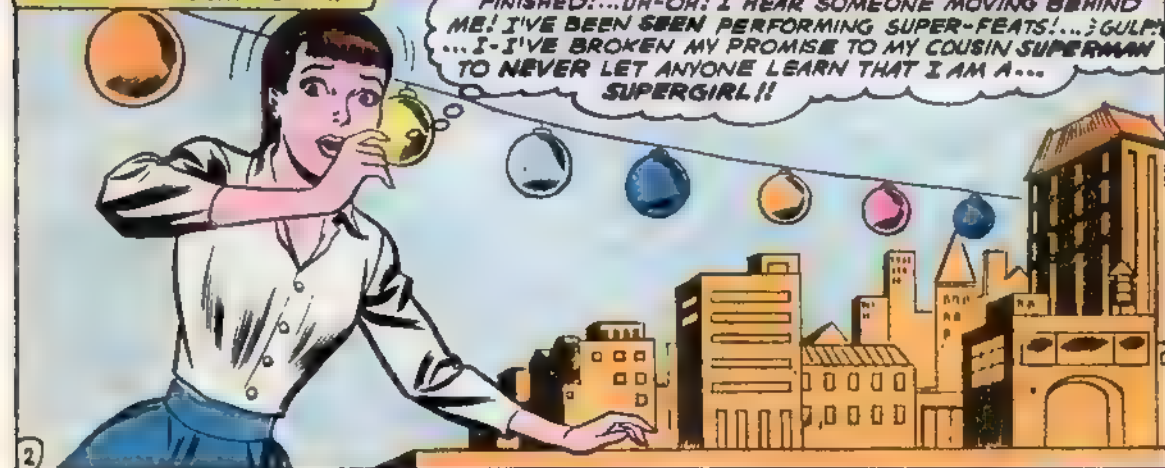
SPEEDILY, SHE STRINGS UP THE LANTERNS AGAIN AND RAISES TOPPLED BOOTHS...

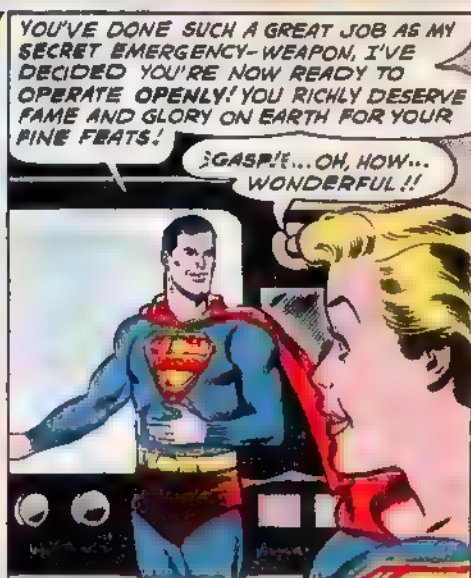
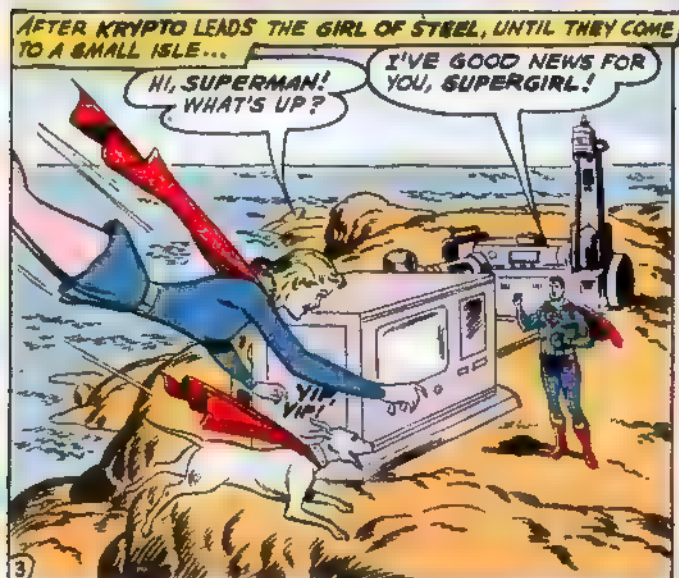
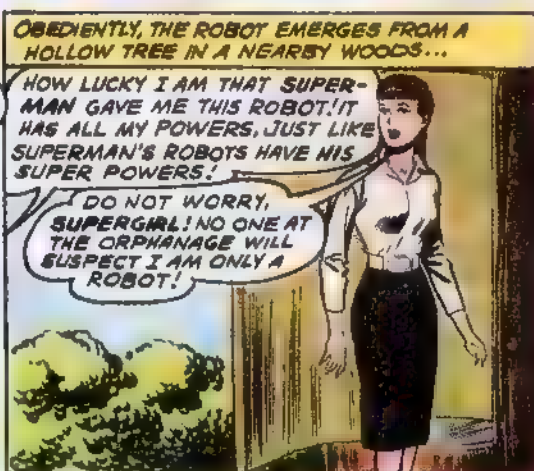
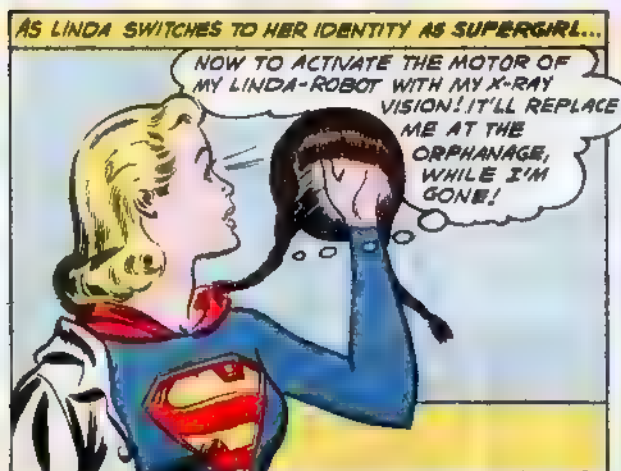
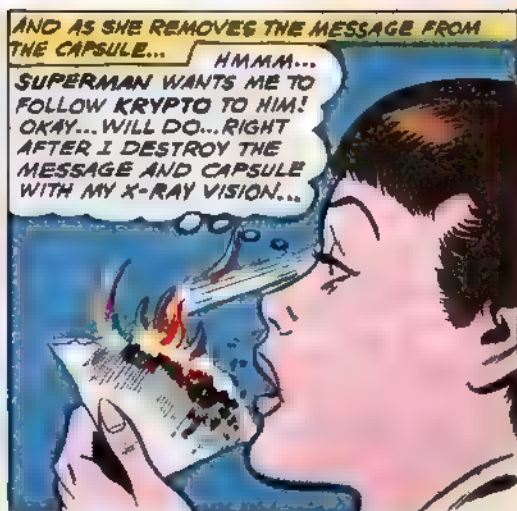
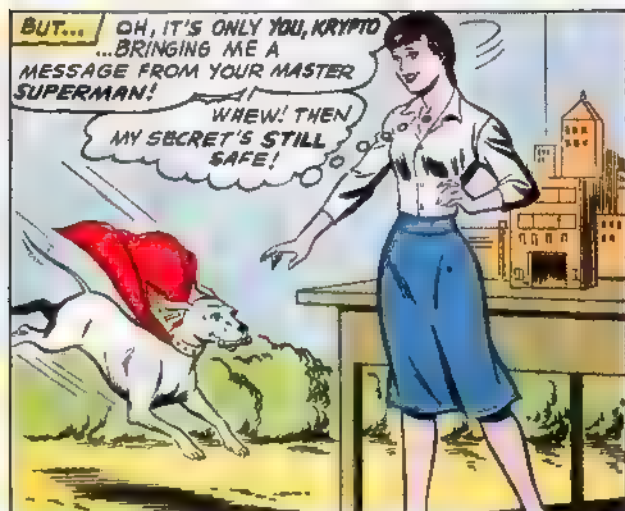
OH-OH! THE STORM DESTROYED THE MINIATURE CITY THE CHILDREN BUILT OUT OF WOODEN BLOCKS, TRIANGLES, PILLARS, AND ARCHES! WHAT A SHAME!



SUPER-SWIFTLY, LINDA ACCURATELY RECONSTRUCTS THE MINIATURE CITY EXHIBIT, GUIDED BY HER PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY...

FINISHED!...UH-OH! I HEAR SOMEONE MOVING BEHIND ME! I'VE BEEN SEEN PERFORMING SUPER-FEATS!...GULP!...I-I'VE BROKEN MY PROMISE TO MY COUSIN SUPERMAN TO NEVER LET ANYONE LEARN THAT I AM A... SUPERGIRL!!



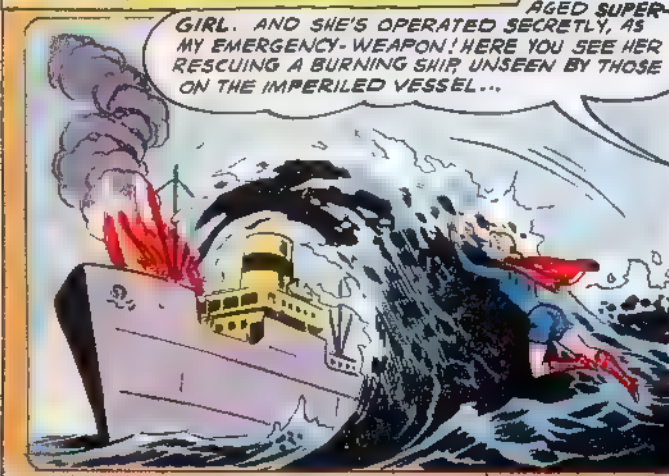


IN THE PAST, MY ROBOTS SECRETLY PHOTOGRAPHED US WHILE WE WERE BOTH IN ACTION! I'VE PREPARED A SPECIAL, TAPED SHOW OF OUR EXPLOITS TOGETHER FROM THEIR FILMS TO BE TELECAST ON TV WHEN I ANNOUNCE YOUR EXISTENCE TO THE WORLD!

AND AS SUPERMAN PREVIEWES THE TAPE FOR SUPERGIRL ON A LARGE TV MONITOR...

PEOPLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS! I, SUPERMAN, HAVE A STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT! FOR YEARS, THERE'S BEEN ANOTHER SUPER-BEING BESIDES MYSELF ON EARTH...

AS SUPERMAN'S VOICE NARRATES, ON THE TAPE... ...A TEEN-AGED SUPER-GIRL. AND SHE'S OPERATED SECRETLY, AS MY EMERGENCY-WEAPON! HERE YOU SEE HER RESCUING A BURNING SHIP, UNSEEN BY THOSE ON THE IMPERILED VESSEL...

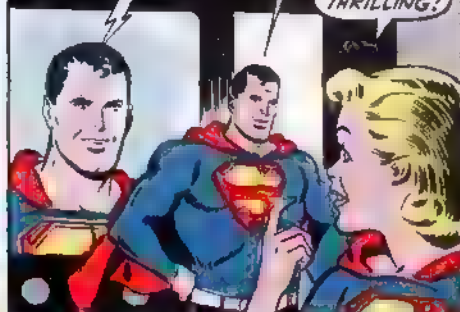


AFTER THE TAPE REVEALS MANY OF SUPERGIRL'S FEATS...

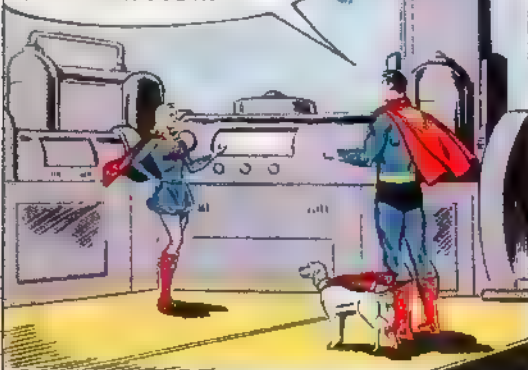
AT LAST, SHE'S READY TO BE REVEALED! PROUDLY, I PRESENT... SUPERGIRL!

THEN THE TAPE STOPS, AND I'LL INTRODUCE YOU IN PERSON TO THE TV AUDIENCE!

HOW... THRILLING!



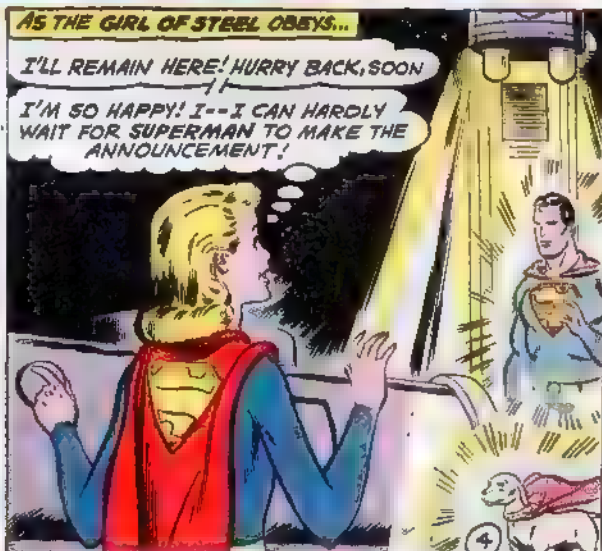
I'LL ARRANGE FOR OUR TV APPEARANCE AS SOON AS I COME BACK FROM A MISSION TO ANOTHER DIMENSION. NOW, PRESS THE BUTTON THAT WILL PROJECT KRYPTO AND ME THERE! WE'LL RETURN AFTER A WHILE...



AS THE GIRL OF STEEL OBEYS...

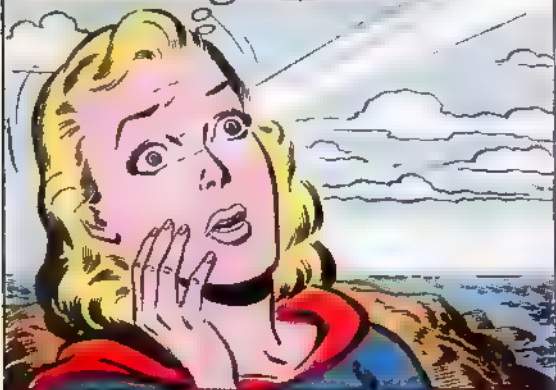
I'LL REMAIN HERE! HURRY BACK, SOON!

I'M SO HAPPY! I--I CAN HARDLY WAIT FOR SUPERMAN TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT!

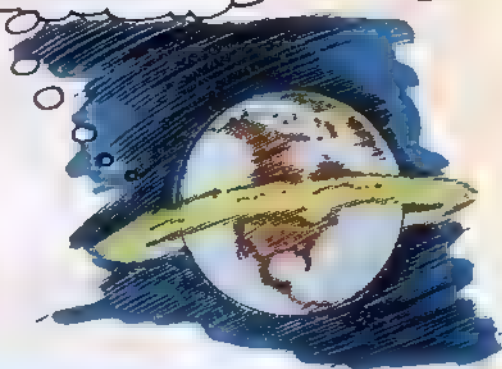


TO PASS THE TIME, SUPERGIRL LOOKS TOWARD OUTER SPACE...

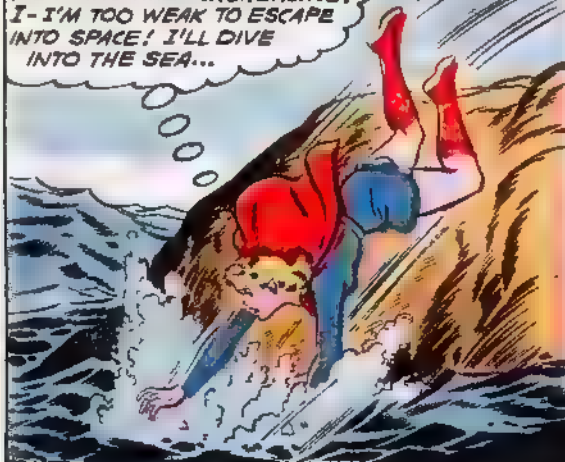
I'LL WATCH SOME UNUSUAL SCENES ON THE OTHER WORLDS WITH MY TELESCOPIC VISION... ULP!!



OH, MY GOODNESS! A--A RING OF KRYPTONITE DUST IS DRIFTING IN FROM OUTER SPACE, ALL AROUND EARTH! ALREADY I-I'M BEGINNING TO F-FEEL WEAKENED... PAINED! THE KRYPTONITE RADIATIONS CAN... KILL ME...!

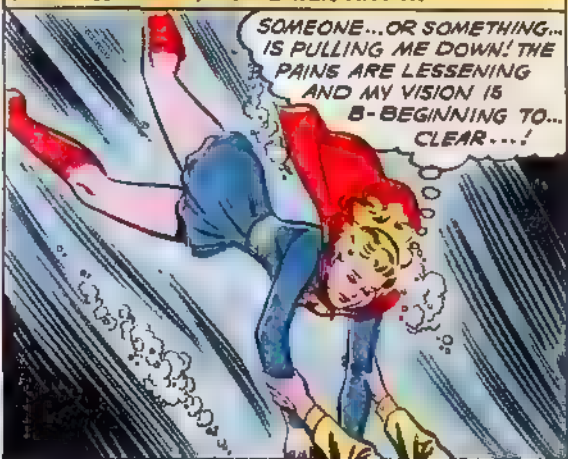


M-MY VISION'S BLURRING! THE PAINS ARE... INCREASING! I-I'M TOO WEAK TO ESCAPE INTO SPACE! I'LL DIVE INTO THE SEA...



DOWN INTO THE BRINY DEEP SHE SINKS, THEN ARMS SUDDENLY SEIZE HER AND...

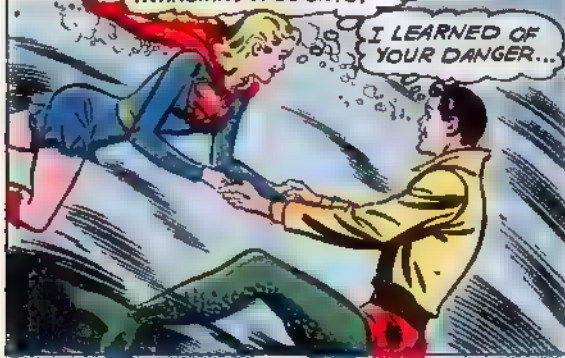
SOMEONE...OR SOMETHING... IS PULLING ME DOWN! THE PAINS ARE LESSENING AND MY VISION IS B-BEGINNING TO... CLEAR...!



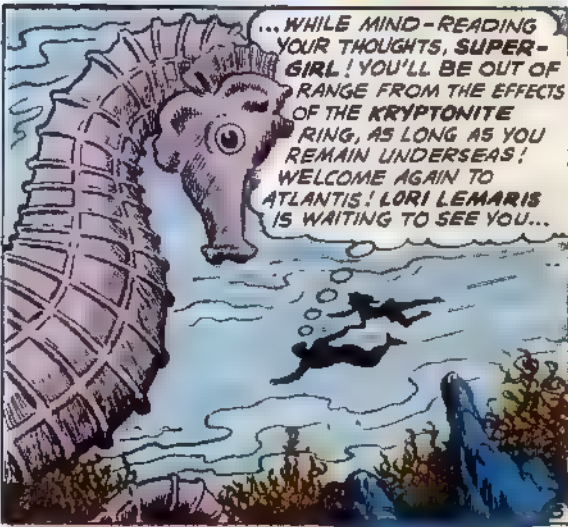
SHORTLY, SHE SEES...

MY RESCUER IS JERRO, THE TEEN-AGED MERMAN FROM ATLANTIS I'VE MET BEFORE, AND HAVE A CRUSH ON! LIKE ALL PEOPLE OF ATLANTIS, HE HAS TELEPATHIC POWERS AND CAN READ, AND TRANSMIT, THOUGHTS!

I LEARNED OF YOUR DANGER...



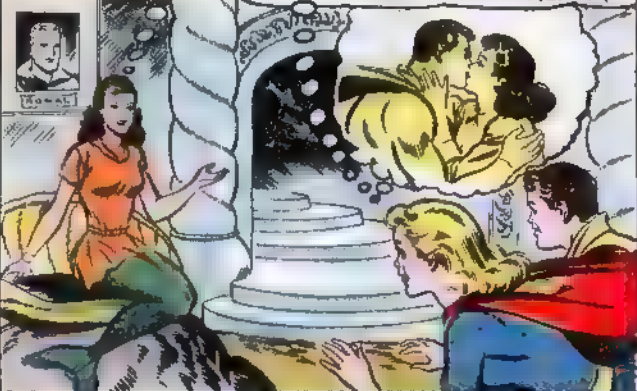
...WHILE MIND-READING YOUR THOUGHTS, SUPER-GIRL! YOU'LL BE OUT OF RANGE FROM THE EFFECTS OF THE KRYPTONITE RING, AS LONG AS YOU REMAIN UNDERSEAS! WELCOME AGAIN TO ATLANTIS! LORI LEMARIS IS WAITING TO SEE YOU...



SHORTLY, IN THE ATLANTIAN HOME OF MERMAID LORI LEMARIS...

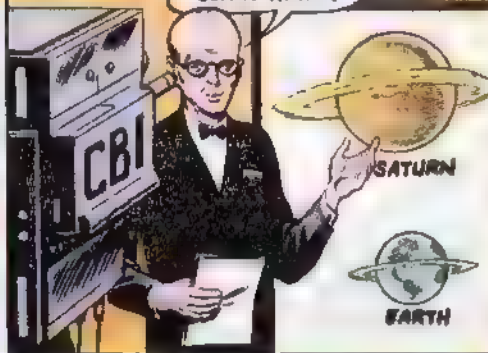
HOW IS SUPERMAN?
I KNEW HIM WELL...

VERY WELL! THEY WERE SWEET-
HEARTS, YEARS AGO, BUT SHE
TURNED DOWN HIS PROPOSAL
AND MARRIED MERMAN RONAL!



MEANWHILE, ON THE SURFACE-WORLD, A
FAMED ASTRONOMER ANNOUNCES OVER
TELEVISION...

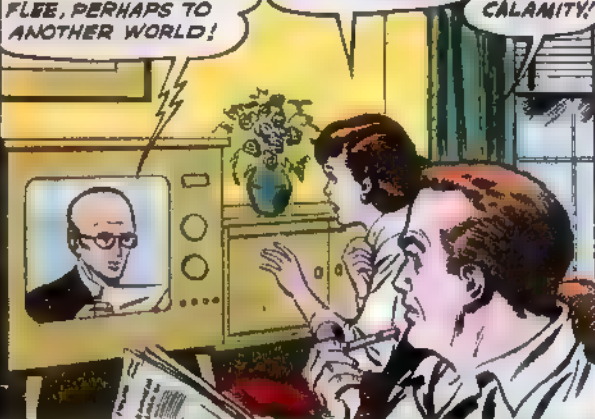
A RING OF KRYPTONITE
DUST NOW SURROUNDS EARTH! UNLESS
SUPERMAN IS IN SOME LEAD-LINED
SHELTER, ITS RADIATIONS HAVE EITHER
SLAIN HIM...



...OR FORCED HIM TO
FLEE, PERHAPS TO
ANOTHER WORLD!

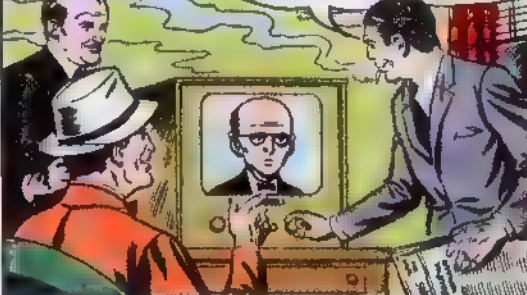
HOW... TERRIBLE!

WHAT A
CALAMITY!



BUT THOUGH LAW-ABIDING CITIZENS EVERY-
WHERE ARE SHOCKED, CRIMINALS REJOICE...

HEY! DIDJA HEAR THAT, HA, HA! WITHOUT
"TOUGH TOMMY"? SUPERMAN AROUND,
US AND THE OTHER MOBS
WILL RUN WILD!! WILD!!

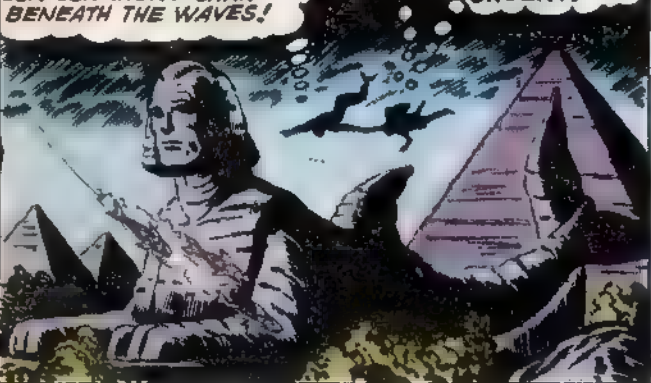


MEANWHILE, TO DISTRACT THE GIRL OF STEEL'S MIND
FROM HER DILEMMA, JERRO SHOWS HER STRANGE
ATLANTIAN SIGHTS...

UNDERSEA PYRAMIDS...
HONORING OUR ANCIENT
ANCESTORS WHO LIVED ON
THE SURFACE WORLD BEFORE
OUR CONTINENT SANK
BENEATH THE WAVES!

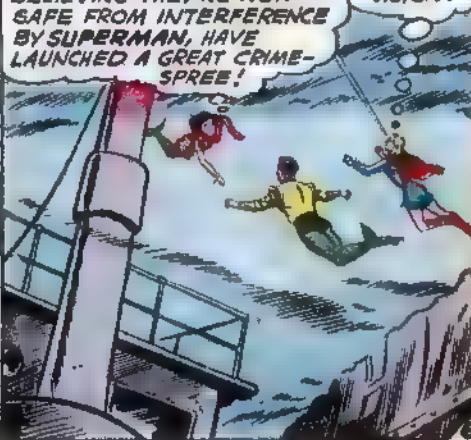
WHAT A FANTASTIC
SIGHT!

LORI
CALLING
SUPERGIRL! RETURN
TO ME AT ONCE! IT'S
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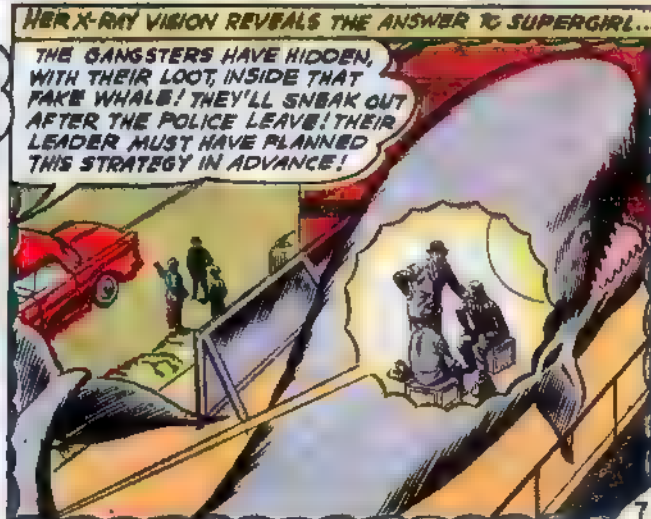
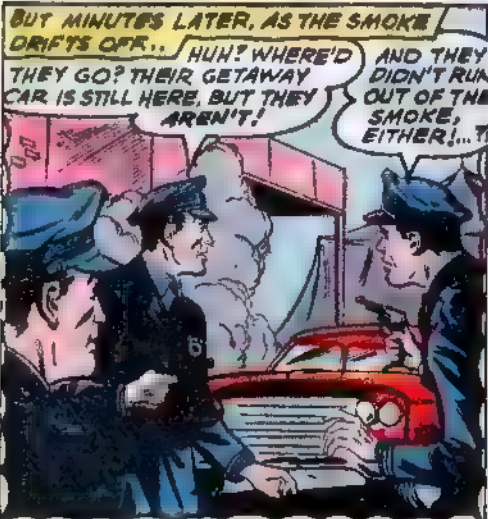
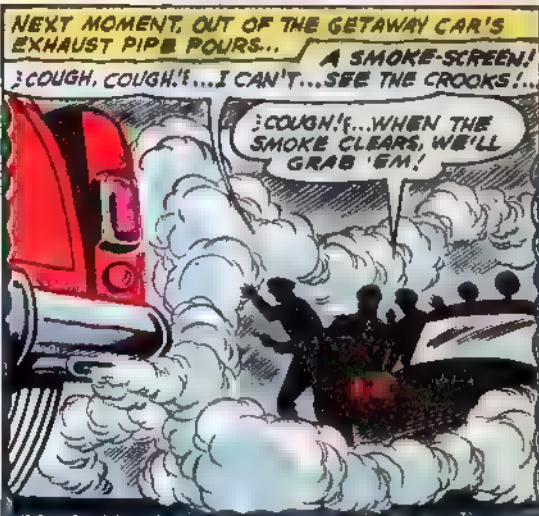
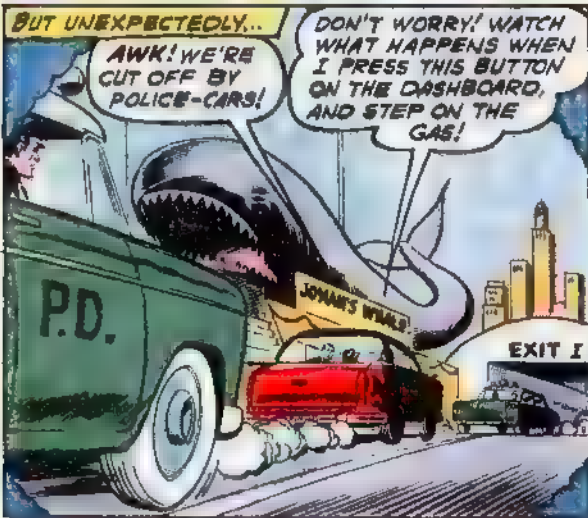
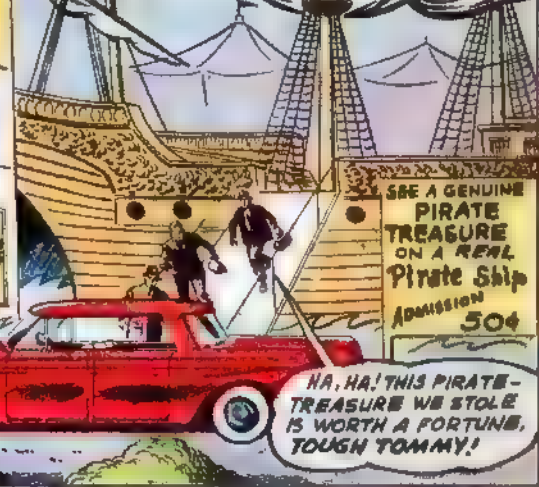
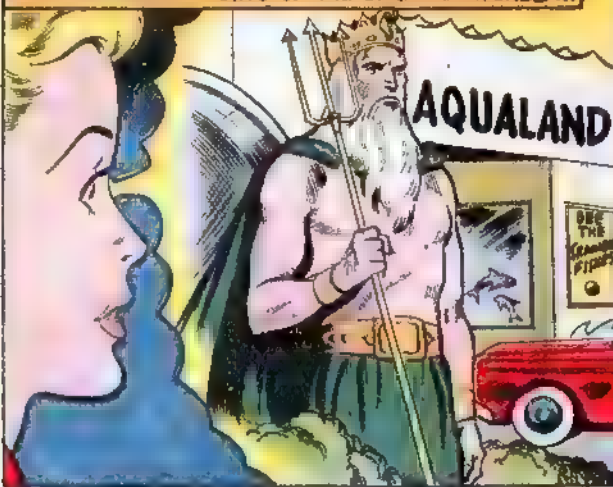


SOON... DREADFUL NEWS!
OUR ATLANTIS
OBSERVATION SQUAD HAS
JUST LEARNED THAT CROOKS
ALL OVER THE WORLD,
BELIEVING THEY'RE NOW
SAFE FROM INTERFERENCE
BY SUPERMAN, HAVE
LAUNCHED A GREAT CRIME-
SPREE!

I'LL
INVESTI-
GATE
WITH MY
SUPER-
VISION!



WHAT SUPERGIRL SIGHTS ON THE SURFACE-WORLD...



A MOMENT LATER, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN...

THE LUMBER FROM THIS SUNKEN SHIP WILL MAKE A SPLENDID SUPER FISHING-POLE! THE ANCHOR, AND, THESE ANCHOR-CHAINS, WILL COME IN HANDY, TOO!

THEN, SHE RAISES THE COLOSSAL POLE, AND...

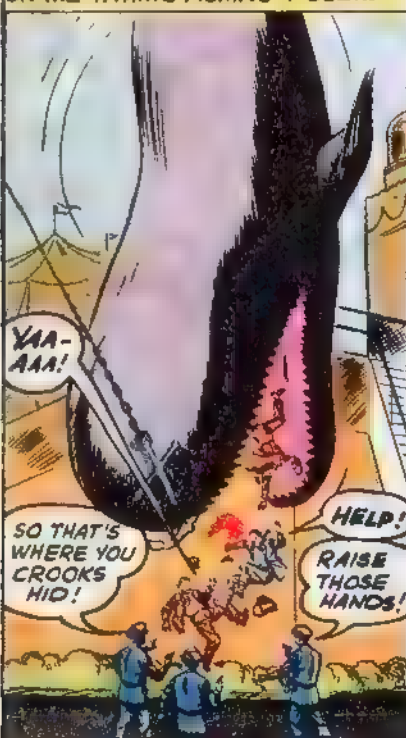
I CAN STILL BATTLE SURFACE-WORLD CRIME WHILE HIDING FROM KRYPTONITE RADIATIONS BENEATH THE SEA! -- HERE GOES...

SHORTLY...

GASP! THAT ANCHOR "HOOK," ATTACHED TO THE HUGE, CHAIN-LINK "FISHING-LINE," FLASHED DOWN AND SNAGGED THE FAKE WHALE'S MOUTH!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!

AS THE DISTANT SUPERGIRL YANKS ON THE TITANIC FISHING POLE...



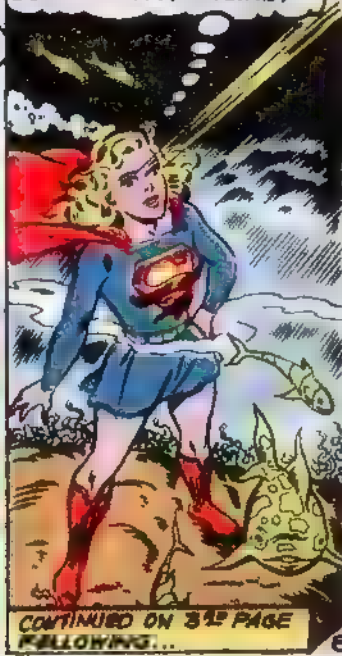
I GET IT! SUPERMAN'S ALIVE AND HIDING UNDER THE OCEAN TO ESCAPE THE KRYPTONITE RING'S RADIATIONS!

THOUGH TRAPPED UNDER THE SEA, HE'S USING HIS WITS AND SUPER-POWERS TO FIGHT CRIME! SWELL!

BAH!

MEANWHILE, IN ATLANTIS...

THEY'VE MISTAKEN ME FOR SUPERMAN! UH-OH! MY SUPER-VISION DISCLOSES ANOTHER JOB FOR... SUPERGIRL!



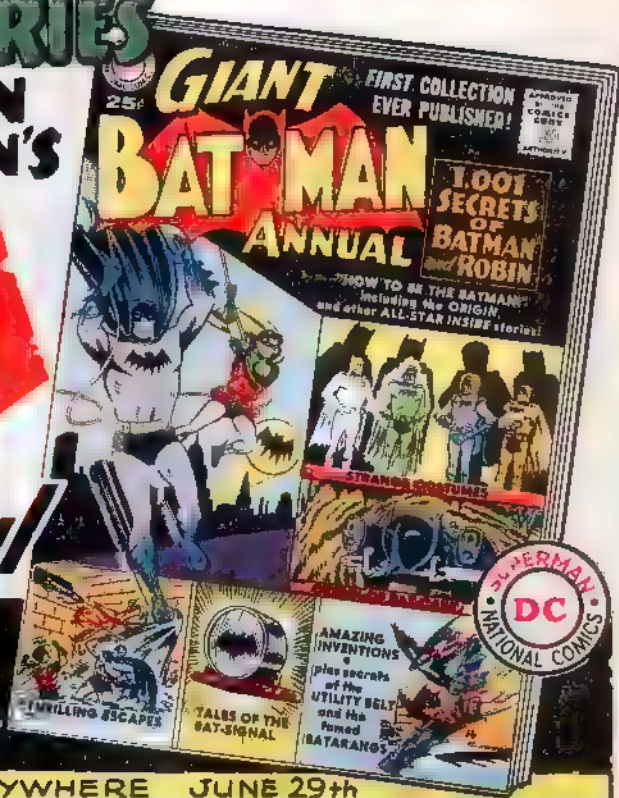
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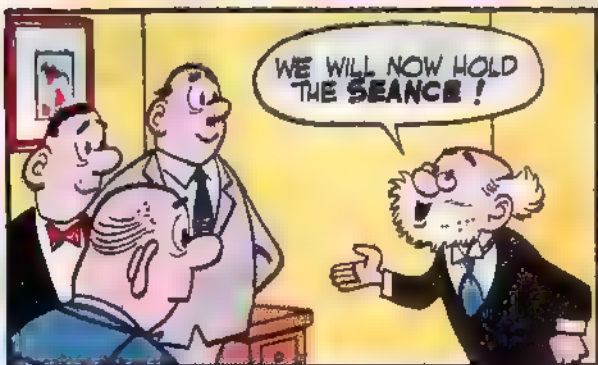
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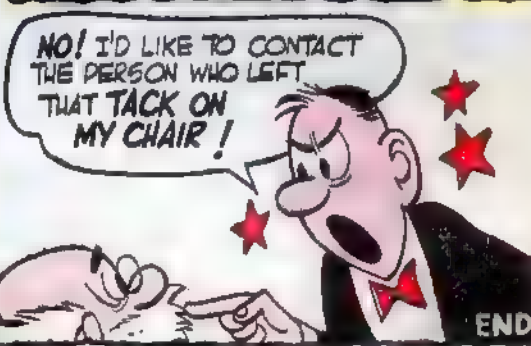
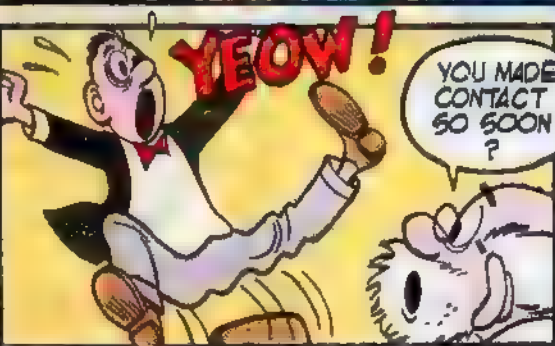
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EVERYONE WILL HOLD HANDS. NOW, CONCENTRATE ON SOME DEPARTED PERSON!

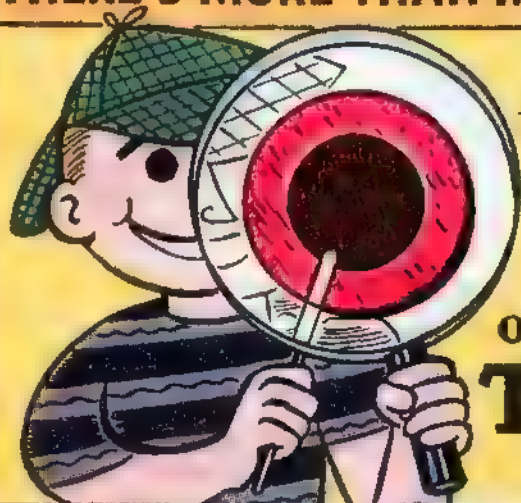


THE FIRST ONE WHO MAKES CONTACT WITH THE SPIRITUAL WORLD WILL SPEAK OUT. NOW, EVERYONE BE SEATED!



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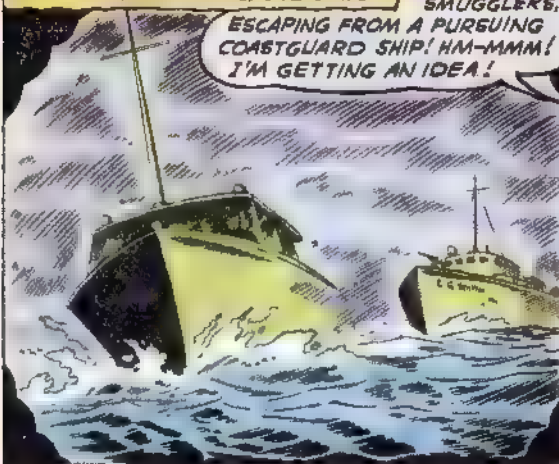


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ON THE SURFACE OF METROPOLIS BAY, IN THE MIST OF A THICKENING FOG, SHE SEES...

SMUGGLERS, ESCAPING FROM A PURSUING COASTGUARD SHIP! HM-MMM! I'M GETTING AN IDEA!

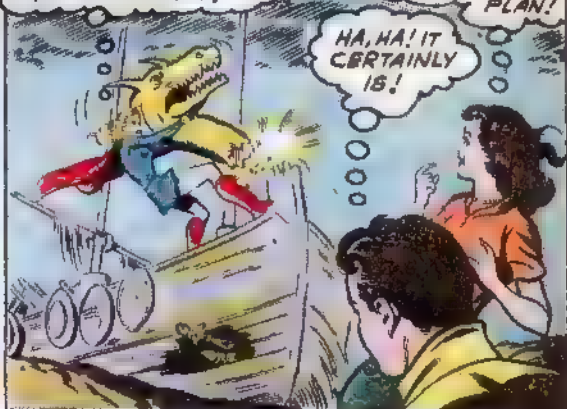


BENEATH THE SEA...

THIS FIGUREHEAD OFF AN ANCIENT SHIP WILL DO QUITE NICELY...

I'VE READ YOUR MIND, SUPERGIRL! WHAT A CLEVER PLAN!

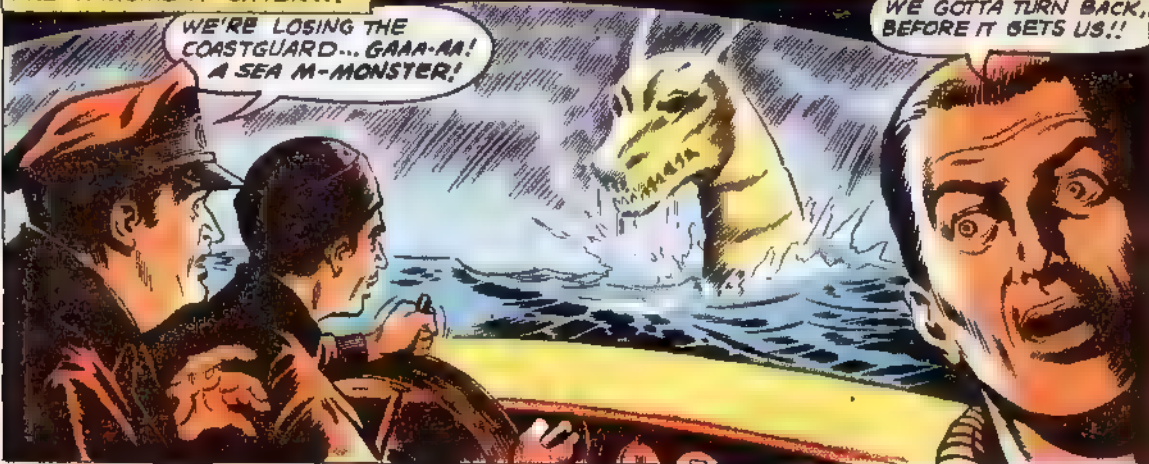
HA, HA! IT CERTAINLY IS!



UP SOARS THE GROTESQUE WOODEN FIGUREHEAD, EXPERTLY HURLED BY THE GIRL OF STEEL, AND A MOMENT LATER...

WE'RE LOSING THE COASTGUARD... GAAA-AA! A SEA M-MONSTER!

WE GOTTA TURN BACK, BEFORE IT GETS US!!



AND AS THE SMUGGLERS COME WITHIN RANGE OF THE PURSUING SHIP'S WEAPONS...

YOU ALMOST GOT AWAY! WHAT MADE YOU COME BACK?

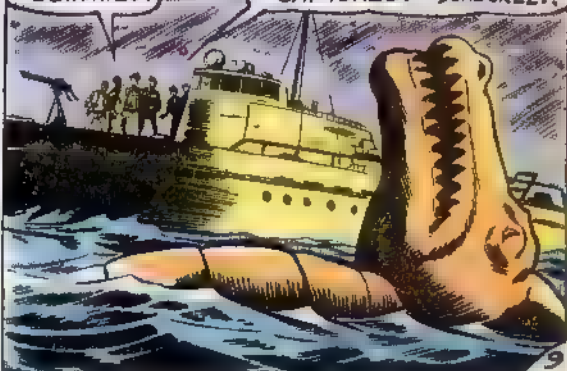
T-THE DEMON FROM THE OCEAN'S DEPTHS...



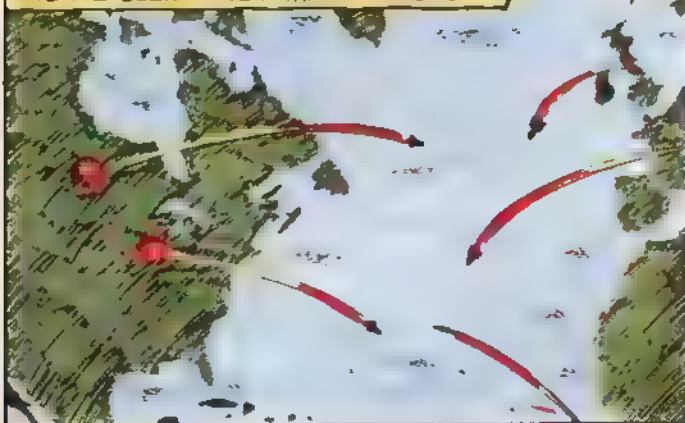
WHEN THE COASTGUARD VESSEL INVESTIGATES...

AWP! IT'S ONLY A FIGUREHEAD OFF AN ANCIENT SHIP! WE PANICKED LIKE DUMMIES!

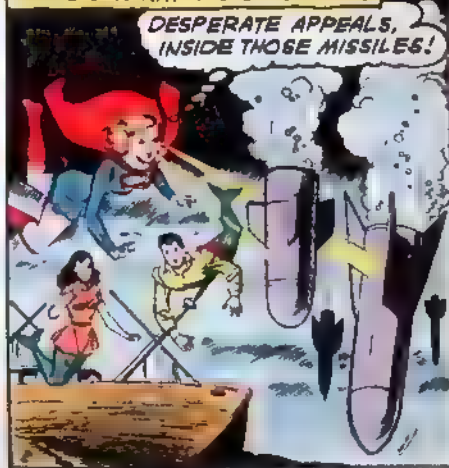
SUPERMAN PROBABLY TOSSED IT UP FROM THE OCEAN'S FLOOR, SO YOU'D TURN BACK AND BE CAPTURED!...CHUCKLE!!



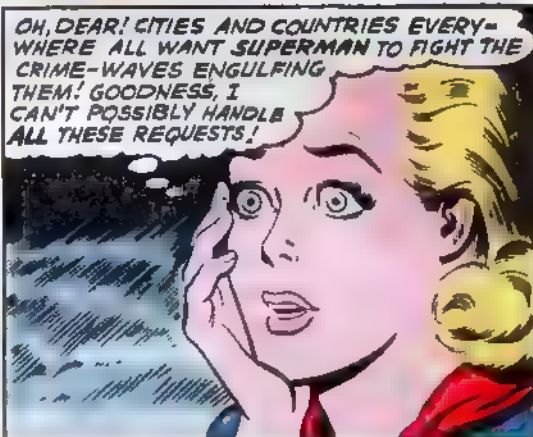
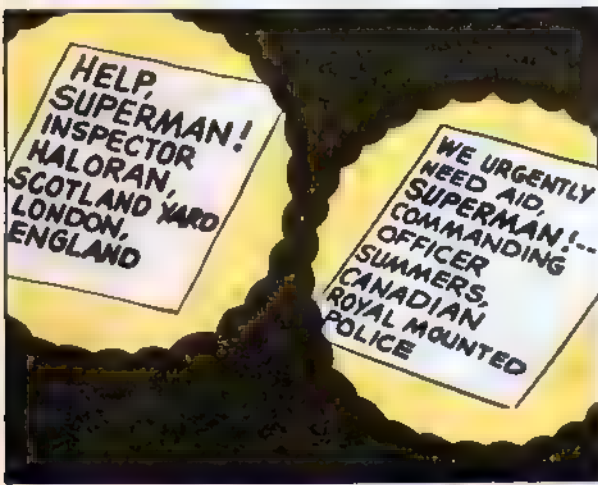
SWIFTLY, THE NEWS FLASHES ABOUT THE WORLD THAT SUPERMAN IS APPARENTLY FIGHTING CRIME FROM UNDERSEAS, AND IN RESPONSE, MESSAGE-MISSILES ARE FIRED INTO THE OCEAN FROM MANY NATIONS...



SOON, IN ATLANTIC, THE GIRL OF STEEL'S X-RAY VISION SEES...

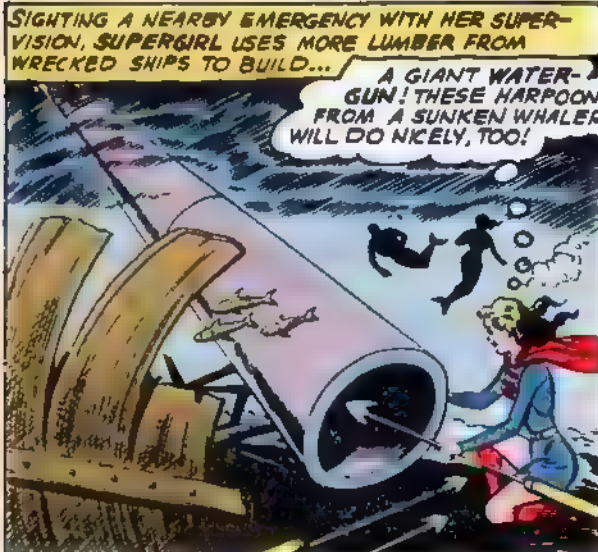


DESPERATE APPEALS, INSIDE THOSE MISSILES!



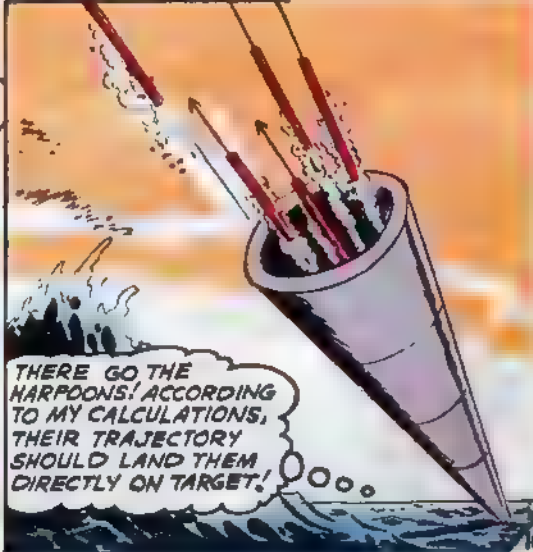
OH, DEAR! CITIES AND COUNTRIES EVERYWHERE ALL WANT SUPERMAN TO FIGHT THE CRIME-WAVES ENGULFING THEM! GOODNESS, I CAN'T POSSIBLY HANDLE ALL THESE REQUESTS!

SECONDS LATER, AS SHE PUFFS INTO THE GIGANTIC WEAPON...



SIGHTING A NEARBY EMERGENCY WITH HER SUPERVISION, SUPERGIRL USES MORE LUMBER FROM WRECKED SHIPS TO BUILD...

A GIANT WATER-GUN! THESE HARPOONS FROM A SUNKEN WHALER WILL DO NIKELY, TOO!

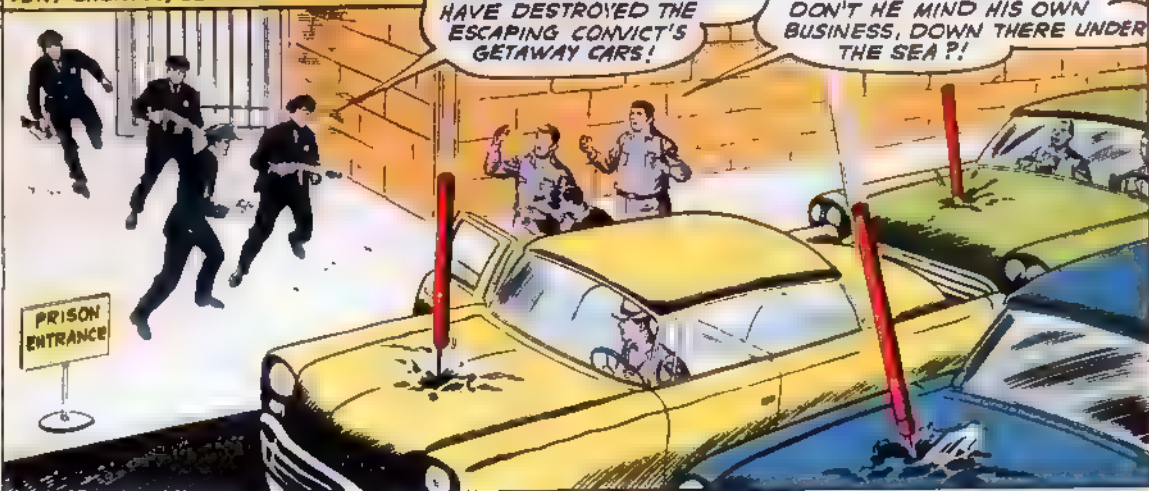


THERE GO THE HARPOONS! ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS, THEIR TRAJECTORY SHOULD LAND THEM DIRECTLY ON TARGET!

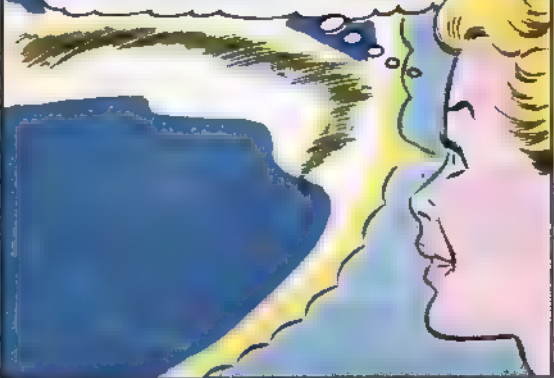
VERY SHORTLY, OUTSIDE A PRISON...

!GASP! THOSE HARPOONS
HAVE DESTROYED THE
ESCAPING CONVICT'S
GETAWAY CARS!

BLAST SUPERMAN! WHY
DON'T HE MIND HIS OWN
BUSINESS, DOWN THERE UNDER
THE SEA ?!

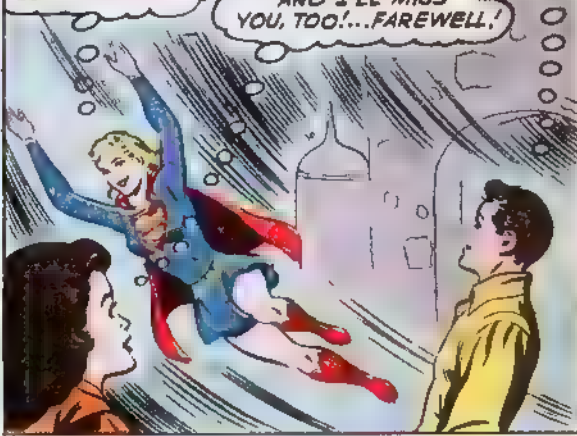


MOMENTS LATER, THE GIRL OF STEEL'S
TELESCOPIC VISION SEES... THE KRYPTONITE
RING IS FLOATING AWAY FROM EARTH! IT'S
NOW SAFE FOR ME TO RETURN TO THE
SURFACE-WORLD! HOORAY!

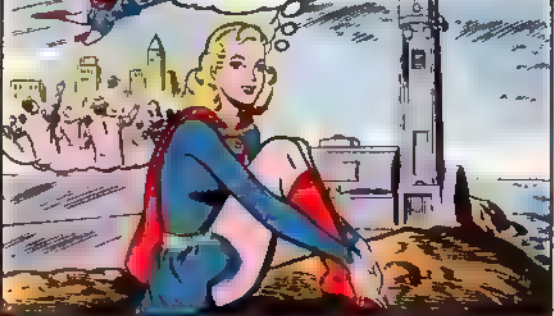


GOODBYE, JERRO AND
LORI! IT WAS WONDERFUL
SEEING YOU!

COME AGAIN... SOON!
I'LL BE MISSING YOU!
AND I'LL MISS
YOU, TOO!...FAREWELL!



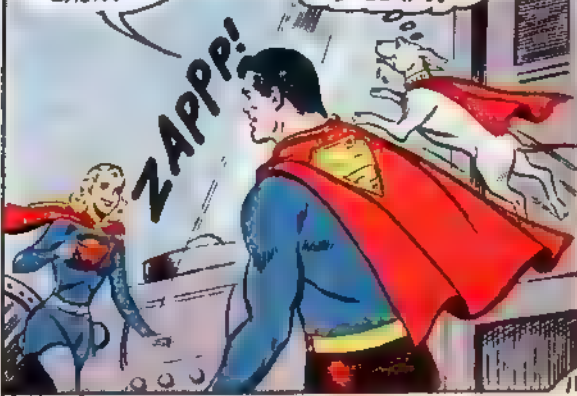
PRESENTLY, ON THE ISLE... I FEEL GREAT,
NOW THAT THE
KRYPTONITE MENACE IS GONE!...
SUPERMAN AND KRYPTO SHOULD
RETURN SOON!... GOSH, I CAN
HARDLY WAIT TO BE REVEALED
TO THE WORLD! I'LL PROBABLY
BE APPLAUDED EVERYWHERE!
GEE!



AND AS THE DIMENSION-MECHANISM AUTOMATICALLY
RETURNS THE TWO SUPER-VOYAGERS TO OUR
WORLD...

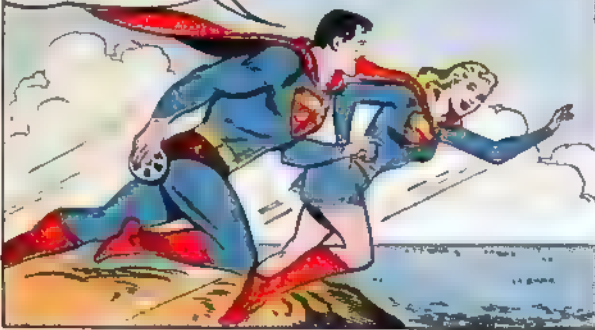
GLAD TO BE
BACK!

SO AM I! NOW TO SEARCH
FOR A JUICY, TASTY BONE! --
!SLURP!:



AFTER SUPERMAN LEARNS HOW SUPERGIRL HAD FOUGHT CRIME ON THE UPPER WORLD FROM THE OCEANS DEPTHS...

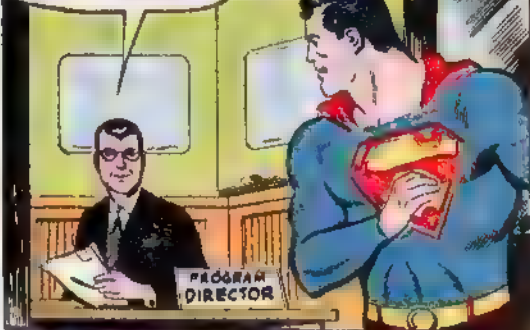
YOU DID FINE, SUPERGIRL! NOW LET'S FLY TO THE TELEVISION STATION! YOU REMAIN IN HIDING WHILE I ARRANGE FOR THE INTRODUCTORY TAPE TO BE RUN OFF!



SOON, AT THE TV STATION...

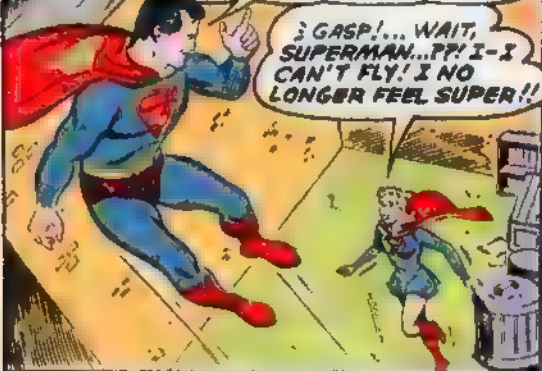
YOU'VE PREPARED A SPECIAL SURPRISE PROGRAM OF WORLD-WIDE IMPORTANCE? WE'LL SCHEDULE IT IMMEDIATELY, SUPERMAN, AND RUN IT ON THE NETWORK!

I'LL BE RIGHT BACK! WITH SUPERGIRL!



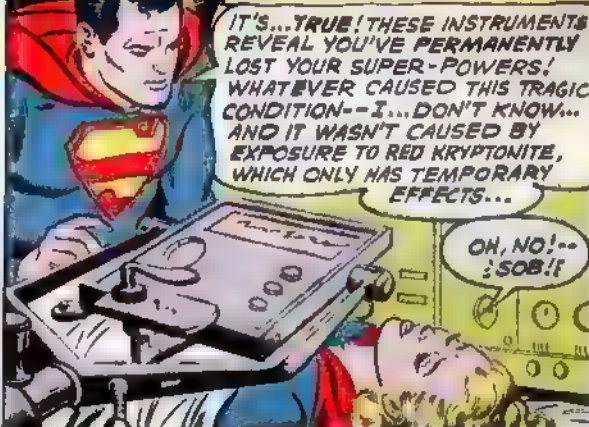
QUICKLY, SUPERMAN JOINS SUPERGIRL, WHO IS HIDING BEHIND THE STATION'S BUILDING...

LET'S GO, SUPERGIRL! WE'LL FLY IN THROUGH THE STUDIO'S OPEN WINDOW, TOGETHER!



! GASP!... WAIT, SUPERMAN...?? I-I CAN'T FLY! I NO LONGER FEEL SUPER!!

CANCELLING THE TELECAST, SUPERMAN SWIFTLY FLIES THE EX-GIRL OF STEEL TO HIS FORTRESS OF SOLITUDE, WHERE...

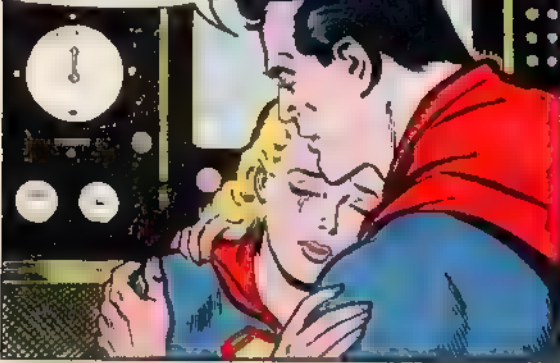


IT'S...TRUE! THESE INSTRUMENTS REVEAL YOU'VE PERMANENTLY LOST YOUR SUPER-POWERS! WHATEVER CAUSED THIS TRAGIC CONDITION--I...DON'T KNOW... AND IT WASN'T CAUSED BY EXPOSURE TO RED KRYPTONITE, WHICH ONLY HAS TEMPORARY EFFECTS...

OH, NO!-- ! SOB!:

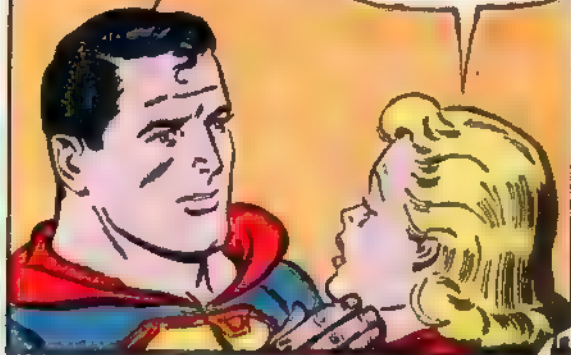
! SOB!:... WHY DID THIS HAVE TO HAPPEN TO ME J- JUST WHEN YOU WERE GOING TO REVEAL MY EXISTENCE AS SUPERGIRL TO THE WORLD?: SOB!:

I HATE WHAT I MUST NOW SAY...



MY DEAR SUPERGIRL, THOUGH YOU EARNED THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC RECOGNITION--I CAN'T ANNOUNCE YOU'RE A SUPERGIRL IF YOU AREN'T ONE ANY MORE!-- COME! I'LL RETURN YOU TO MIDVALE ORPHANAGE...

! CHOKE... I'M... READY...! SOB!:



SHORTLY, AS HE FLIES SUPERGIRL NEAR THE ORPHANAGE, SUPERMAN'S X-RAY VISION SIGNALS THE LINDA ROBOT TO RETURN TO THE HOLLOW TREE...



I... WON'T HAVE MUCH USE FOR THIS COSTUME-- OR MY ROBOT-- ANY MORE -- CHOKE!?

MAYBE YOUR LOSS OF SUPER-POWERS WON'T REALLY BE PERMANENT! I'LL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO TRY AND RESTORE YOUR POWERS!



SUPERMAN'S TRYING TO CHEER ME, BUT-- I SENSE THINGS WILL BE DIFFERENT... FROM NOW ON...

CHANGING TO HER OTHER-IDENTITY, LINDA RETURNS TO HER ORPHANAGE ROOM...



CRYING WON'T HELP! I... MUST FACE REALITY!-- SINCE I DON'T HAVE SUPER-POWERS, THERE'S NO LONGER ANY REASON WHY I SHOULD AVOID ADOPTION...



THERE'S A WHOLE NEW LIFE AHEAD OF ME--WITH MANY, MANY CHANGES!-- WILL I ALWAYS REMAIN NON-SUPER?... WILL THE FUTURE BRING ME HAPPINESS--OR HEARTBREAK?... WHAT CAUSED THIS AMAZING LOSS OF POWERS?

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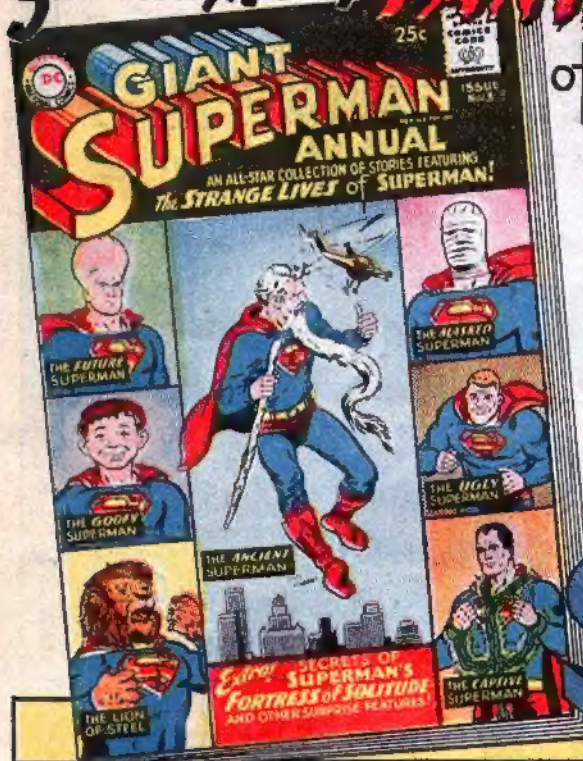
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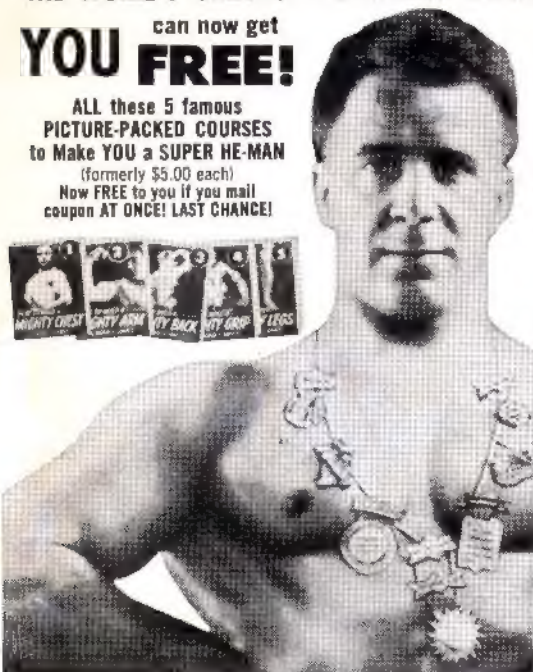
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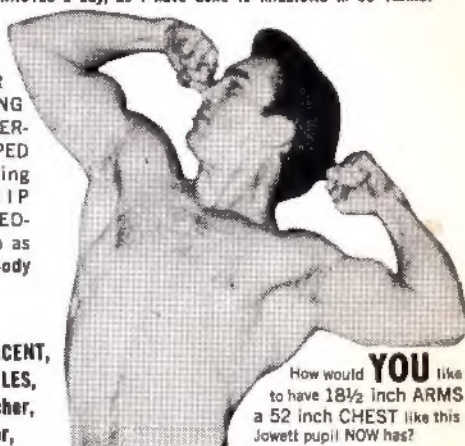
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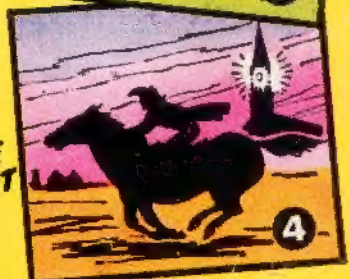
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